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ELDRIDGE CLEAVER BREAKS HIS SILENCE



INTERVIEW: WITH WILLIAM PATTERSON AND CHARLES GARRY

This is an interview by David Hilliard and Bobby Seale of Charles R. Garry, Black Panther Party Attorney, and a very close brother, a revolutionary brother, William Patterson, Defense attorney for the Scottsboro Case, he's been in the struggle for quite a few years. And the first question that I would like to ask them for their response - I would like to ask both of you this question - What do you think about the upcoming conference to be held here in Oakland, California, for a UNITED FRONT AGAINST FASCISM in AMERICA?

ATTORNEY GARRY: I will give you my opinion, I'm Charles Garry, as to the need and the necessity for a get together of all people who are against oppression and harassment. The answer is, that if we don't do it, if this is not done and it's not done immediately, the same things that happened in Nazi Germany and fascist Italy, and fascist Japan, and fascist Spain are going to happen here. This may be our last opportunity to be able to get together and to tell men and women of good will throughout the United States the dangers of what fascism is. I don't think that the people of the United States really understand what fascism is. I think they believe that this is something foreign, they believe that this is something that exists outside the United States. We've got to tell them that although we fought fascism in Europe, that we permitted for hundreds of years, fascism to prevail in the black ghetto and black community. Now it's going beyond that; it's becoming more diabolic in our present day junction. We have every reason to believe that the Black Panther Party is being persecuted by the United States Government more radically and more viciously than any other group in American life heretofore. So therefore, unless the people who are against the oppression, who understand and will fight against fascism, unless they get together now, they may not have the opportunity later. - Bill, you're an old soldier in this field, you've been at it now since the late '20's. Your wisdom and your experience is so timely needed. What do you say about this?



WILLIAM PATTERSON: I'm of the opinion that we are passing through a very grave period in American history. If anyone had doubts as to the growth and development of fascism, and toward a police state in our country, they would not have to give more than superficial attention to the attacks being made against the Panthers, the Panther Party, against militants and progressive social forces all over our country. This is not only an attack instituted by the government on a city-wide, a state-wide and a national basis, but it is also represented by the attempts being made to build up a "white backlash" in America and to pit Americans who are white against those who are black and demanding only their constitutional rights and respect for their dignity as human beings. This conference should call together every progressive strata of the American population. It should place special emphasis upon activizing labor. It should reach through those who are fighting on the peace front and those who are fighting against poverty. Especially must this call be made to all Americans, regardless of color, creed or political persuasion, who are against the inhuman treatment to which black America has been exposed for four centuries. I for one have been greatly heartened by this step taken by the Black Panthers. I believe that those who are in anyway in opposition to any position that the Panthers may have taken, see in this step forward, an appeal to America as a whole, particularly that phase of America that is interested in the National Liberation Struggles of the peoples of the world. The time is short and yet those who will give their support to this tremendous campaign must everywhere move into action immediately. There is no time to waste. I'm in agreement with you Charlie, that this is a matter of historic importance. Not only to all progressive Americans, but as well to the peace of the world.

chairman; O.K., I would also like to ask you Charles and Brother Patterson, both of you are lawyers, how do you see the courts or the court system as moving in tempo with the fascinization of America presently and futuristically?

WILLIAM PATTERSON: It is my thinking that the courts are being used by city, state and federal governments as a weapon of persecution in so far as black men and women are concerned. I would like to say, that while I am by profession a lawyer, I am not and have not been for almost 40 years a practicing attorney. But I have been deeply impressed by the magnificent struggle that Charles Garry has made in this fight to save the life of Huey Newton and to secure his freedom. To bring the attention to America, white America, that for a black man today to secure a jury of his peers is an impossible thing. I want, as a black man, as a fellow American and as a human being, to thank Charles Garry for what he's done in this instance, for he has shown clearly the manner in which the courts are not trying to secure the freedom of a man, regardless of his belief, if he is guilty of no crime, but in which they are being used to persecute a people seeking human dignity and freedom.

CHAIRMAN: In all of your experiences, both of you, we would like for you to explain how fascism makes its appearance when the people begin to use their democratic rights to fight oppression created by capitalism?

WILLIAM PATTERSON: American imperialism fears the growing wrath of the American people. This it sees in the fight that America has made for peace; sees in the fight that is being made for the use of billions for murder on a foreign field, and the denial of food, clothing and an education to millions of Americans. Its only answer is Terror, its police have become a weapon of terror, to force upon black people in particular a denial of their constitutional rights and dignity as human beings. Its courts have become institutions of terror, become institutions engaged in a conspiratorial attempt to deny human beings their rights. Thus we can see, in the activities taking place on a national scale the mounting danger of fascism in America; a danger that arises out of the unwillingness of those who govern this country to grant to the American people the rights that are theirs.

ATTORNEY GARRY: I'd like to add a few words to what Bill Patterson just stated. I recall in the early '30's when the President of the United States, a man by the name of Herbert Hoover, who could not answer the needs of the hunger and the depression that this country went through. He suggested that people get out and sell apples on the street corners, and when a group of World War I veterans who had fought and were gassed and other things in Flandersfield and in the battlefields of France, they decided to take their grievances and march on Washington. The then President couldn't think of any other way of handling the matter except having General MacArthur turn the hoses upon the men who were expressing the dissent of not being satisfied with hunger. Today we're faced with another serious matter. The United States Government today is carrying on what we call illegal and oppressive, inhuman warfare on people of color in Vietnam. The American people are dissatisfied with this conduct to such an extent that President Johnson did not have the nerve to run for re-election. The campuse throughout the United States are complaining about the treatment that the young are getting. People of color, both black brown, red, the third world liberation movement are dissatisfied with the kind of conduct they're receiving. This government does not have the answer of solving this problem because they can't solve it because the economy is run by the few. The capitalist society is running the economy of this country, therefore, they will not, and cannot solve the problems, so they resort to what they call " use of violence". The violence is put on the people in the campuses, the people in the ghetto and the people in the rural working areas, as Ceasar Chavez is witnessing in California. They are faced with what they call "law and order" which is law and order with force and violence on the part of the establishment. And they use the courts through the district attornies, and through the police department to harass the leaders of these people's movements throughout the United States. And it's because they are using the arms of the judiciary and circumventing the intent of justice, fascism is on its way here. And I don't see a way of stopping it, unless lawyers who believe that the constitution of the United States was meant for all of the people, unless the labor unions wake up and recognize that what's happening to the black ghetto, and to the brown people and to the people of the third world liberation movement, and the farm workers and the students, unless the labor unions awaken to their responsibility, they're going to find later on, that it's going to be too late, there's not going to be any labor movement. These are the areas which I'm just gently touching, and I hope that in the coming days we will be able to project the importance of being able to fight back in a manner that will produce results, and stop this holocaust that we're in.

DAVID: O.K., This is the final question, and possibly the question that's caused most controversy lately, most controversy lately in regards to the Black Panther Party, and the question is do you see any connection with the recent testimony given by a member of our Party for a period of three months, Larry Powell. Do you see a relation to the Matuso testimony of hearing with the Mac Carthy Committee, I believe?

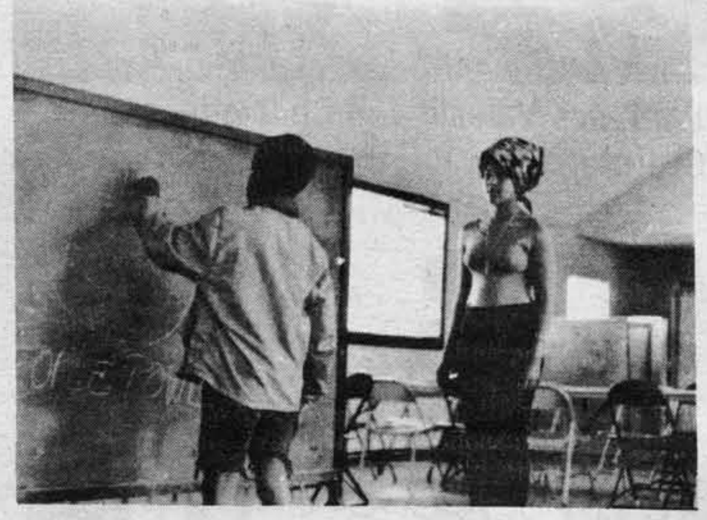
ATTORNEY GARRY: Yes, I certainly do. Matuso was used as a trained seal to testify to whatever the government wanted him to say, until he got conscience stricken. I believe, in the Jinx case where he repented it all and he wrote the book called False Witness, he admitted that he had been used knowingly by the United States Government at that time. At the present time the same thing is happening. The Black Panther Party set forth rules of discipline for its members, one of them was that they were not to use any terroristic action against people of the community, that they were to obey the laws and carry on political direction as planned. And when the members who had been expelled because of their misconduct and conduct that's contrary to the best interest of the Black Panther Party, particularly for armed robbery against individuals of the community, when they're expelled it seems that the Oakland Police Department and the District Attorney of Alameda County immediately embraces that person and makes them part of their own establishment. You can draw all kinds of inferences from what I said. Bill do you want to add anything?

WILLIAM PATTERSON: I would like to say just this, I'm in full agreement with the remarks just made by Charlie Garry. I would want to say that the relationship between the testimony given by the Powells and that which had been given by the admitted stool-pidgeon Matuso is quite similar, but what we must see in both is the conspiratorial action of the government. Of course, the government is in a position to buy many of those who are weakminded, to seduce many of our lads and young women who are seeking a new life. It's to be expected that some of them would betray their fathers and their mothers and their own future. We must understand that this reflects the corrupting force of the kind of government under which we live. We condemn these people, we pity them, but our condemnation and our hatred is reserved for those corrupting forces that are doing this thing, destroying the integrity and the inherent honor of black youth and white youth and seeking to make their false testimony the basis for the prosecution of the militants in our country.

CHAIRMAN: Thank you. Thank both of you.

LIBERATION MEANS FREEDOM





What are revolutionaries? "Revolutionaries are changers." This response comes from the eager lips of the youngsters participating in the first liberation school sponsored by the Black Panther Party. The liberation school is the realization of point five of the ten point platform and program, that is, "We want education for our people that exposes the true nature of this decadent American society. We want education that teaches our true history and our role in the present-day society." We recognize that education is only relevant when it teaches the art of survival. Our role in this society is to prepare ourselves and the masses for change. The change we want is within this decadent society. It's the implementation of the 10 point platform of the Vanguard Party. It's the destruction of the ruling class that oppresses and exploits the poor. It's the destruction of the avaricious businessman (the youth in the liberation school call him the "big, fat, businessman"). It's the destruction of the lying deceiving politicians, and most important of all, the destruction of the racist pigs that are running rampant in our communities.

Liberation schools will replace for the summer the Free Breakfast for School Children that was initiated in the beginning of this



year and has since spread in chapters and branches of the party throughout the country. Liberation School is the second of the many socialistic and educational programs that will be implemented by the Black Panther Party to meet the needs of the people. The first program began Wednesday, June 25 at 9th and Hearst Streets in Berkeley, California. The program is a success with the maximum participation coming from the youth and volunteers throughout the community. The curriculum is designed to meet the needs of the youth, to guide them in their search for revolutionary truths and principles. Brunch and a well-balanced lunch is served daily. Three days of the week are spent in class. Thursday is Film day and Friday is set aside for field trips throughout the community. The 30th of June marked the opening of two additional schools in East Oakland, and Hunters Point in San Francisco, California. Additional programs are scheduled to begin in the very near future throughout the Bay Area and across the country.

The youth understand the struggle that's being waged in this society. It's evident by their eagerness to participate in the program. They understand that we're not fighting a race struggle, but in fact, a class struggle. They recognize the need for all oppressed people to unite against the forces that are making our lives unbearable. They're understanding manifests itself in their definitions, i.e. Revolution means Change; Revolutionaries are Changers; Liberation means Freedom and by their collective view of themselves as being part of a BIG FAMILY working, playing, and living together in the struggle. The beauty of socialism is seen through their daily practice while involving themselves in the program.

We call upon the people within the community



to join the Vanguard Party in putting forth the correct examples for our youth through their active participation in our liberation schools across this country.

Community Political Education classes will also be starting in the evening for adults. The education of the masses is primary to the Vanguard Party. People, take part in this revolutionary program to continue the struggle for freedom in this country."

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ALL POWER TO THE YOUTH!



Panthers Valerie and Charlotte teach Children from Panther Paper.



Sister Valerie Pays Attention to Those Who Need It.



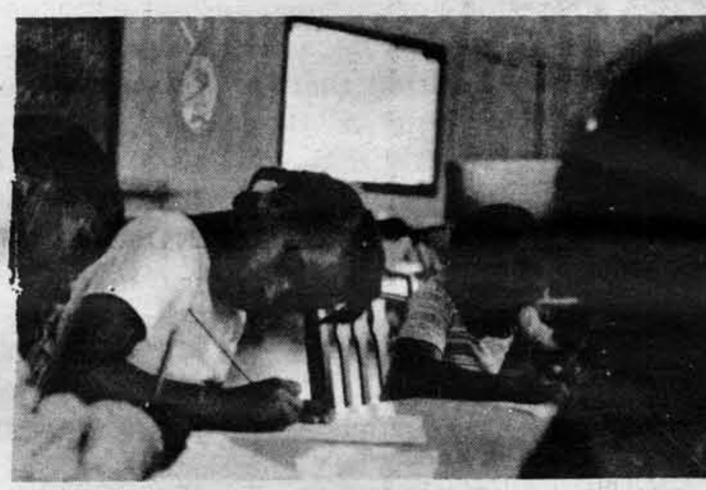
Fred tells the children about Huey P. Newton.



Children Have Opportunity for Self-Expression in Drawing Section.



Physical Education is Also Part of Liberation School.



Self - Expression and Collective Learning



Little "changers" listen up.



Marsha Has Always Been A Favorite With The Children.



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BOBBY SEALE, CHAIRMAN
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ROY WILKINS

THE GRAND COP-OUT

After much fanfare and spectacular publicity in the mass media of the pig power structure, the "Joke", the hoax posing as "Responsible Negro Leadership" has copped-out. The vulnerable "Uncle Roy" Wilkins after loudly and publicly proclaiming a desire to talk to the leadership of the Black Panther Party, (as if we had a top-secret, unlisted phone number) has made an instant and hasty retreat from the verbal arena of his own creation. This followed close on the heels of an immediate reply in the affirmative by the Party.

After decades of public and private dealings with some of the most low-life, trifling, of the racist, fascist, capitalist, people pimps, "Responsible Negro's," and viperous pigs, (pigs who pose as politicians, or businessmen or upholders of law and order) "Uncle Roy" savs to the Black Panther Party, "Do not desire public meeting at this time.

The Black Panther Party is quite willing to talk to any and all alleged, actual, and aspiring "Leaders" in the black community. (The one exception is the murderous dog pig Ron "Skin-Head" Karenga). Our practice has shown us that when dealing with the "Venerable but Responsible" element (those who like to refer to the Party and others like us as "Militant") That extreme caution must be exercised.

The vital necessities of solidarity with the power of the people, and security from the wrath of the people dictates that meetings and dealings with men of questionable futures, shaky present conditions, and shady pasts must have the approval of the people and the close scrutiny of the People.

All Power to the People
Panther Power to the Vanguard

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THE PARAMILITARY RIGHT

"The Minuteman organization is designed to function as a secret underground network, and its routine operations in these times of peace are conducted along the lines of a training program for the hostilities to come. Each member is assigned a number that becomes his identification in all communications; he is warned about the use of the telephone in contacting headquarters; he is advised in the use of mail drops; he is warned to use two envelopes in organization correspondence and to place an opaque material between the inner and outer envelopes, to prevent the letter from being read by means of infrared

"I don't even know the members' names," says DePugh. "All we ask is the name and address of a unit leader—and this can be a pseudonym. I have no way of knowing exactly how many members we have, except that each group is supposed to have a minimum of five and a maximum of fifteen. So I strike an average of eight." DePugh's most recent estimate: 25,000 "hard-core" members, fully trained and armed, plus approximately 65,000 supporters and recruits undergoing instruction and indoctrination. "Only a relatively small percentage of these will ever become 'secure' members and be incorporated into the unit chain of command," DePugh explains. "We make a real effort to weed out all the weak links in advance; we're looking for quality, not quantity; one man ready to give his life is worth fifty who'll crack when the heat is on. That's why I reject three out of every four membership applications at the very outset." Other estimates range from an improbable low of 500 (from J. Edgar Hoover, who derides the group as a "paper organization," despite the attention it receives from his agents) to an equally improbable high of 100,000 (by a fervent Minuteman in Kansas City). Most law-enforcement officials and informed journalists believe the organization has somewhere between 5000 and 10,000 members and 30,000 to 40,000 supporters, but the "activist" percentage remains in doubt.

Whatever their actual number, there is no doubt that the Minutemen have become a potent force on the ultraright. And there is no doubt that the founder and national coordinator has traveled a long way since the bucolic days when he peddled veterinary medicines to Midwest farmers. Robert Bolivar DePugh was born 45 years ago in Independence, Missouri, where his father served until recently as a deputy sheriff. (The elder DePugh, now in his 70s, is a fervent supporter of his son's political activities and a charter member of the Minutemen.) Son Robert attended the University of Missouri for three semesters and then enlisted in the Army in 1942, serving as a radar operator in the Signal Corps until he was discharged in 1944 on the recommendation of a panel of medical examiners, who diagnosed him as suffering from a "psychoneurosis, mixed type, severe, manifested by anxiety and depressive features and schizoid personality."

It was during his stint in the Service that DePugh's interest in politics was first sparked, as the result of his encounter with a number of radar scientists at the coast-artillery installation at Fort Monroe, Virginia, who "seemed not to hold allegiance to the same flag I did. I was really quite naïve politically in those days," he recalls. "I knew there was an unbridgeable gulf between our positions, but I didn't suspect they were Communists or at the very least Communist-oriented, as I can now see in retrospect was the case. It was just a kind of visceral reaction; I knew in my guts that these people weren't loyal Americans."

After leaving the Service, DePugh returned to college, attending Kansas State, the University of Colorado and Topeka's Washburn University—all in rapid succession. He was a bright student but had a quicksilver attention span and didn't stay at any one school long enough to earn a degree. He was particularly interested in chemistry and genetics, however, and during his days at Kansas State organized "The Society for the Advancement of Canine Genetics," which at its dissolution several years later had 2000 dog-breeding members across the country and was affiliated with the International Genetics Society.

In 1954, DePugh founded the Biolab Corporation in Independence, a pharmaceutical supply house specializing in vitamin supplements for dog-food products; it foundered in 1955, after "differences of opinion" among the stockholders, and DePugh worked for a dog-food company until 1959, when he revitalized Biolab in partnership with his brother Bill and moved company headquarters to its present site in Norborne, Missouri. Within a year, Biolab was a thriving venture, producing dozens of veterinary-medicine products and worth over $250,000. At 35, DePugh was Norborne's leading citizen and a prototype small-town-America success story. With a prosperous business, a devoted wife and six handsome children, he appeared to have everything he wanted. But DePugh was restless and dissatisfied.

"Until the late Fifties," he remembers, "I was so preoccupied with getting an education and earning a living that I didn't have any opportunity to think seriously about politics and foreign affairs. It was only after Biolab became a success and I found myself with some leisure time on my hands that I began to really think about the way the world was heading—and I didn't like what I saw. I began to study anti-Communist literature and, suddenly, I grasped the phenomenal success of the international Communist conspiracy. Within 50 years after the Russian Revolution, it controlled one third of the earth's land surface and population. I realized that if this kept up, my children—or at the most optimistic estimate, my grandchildren—would be living under the Marxist boot. I decided that it was my duty to do something about it, and stop sitting back on my butt preoccupied with how much more money I was going to make this year over last."

DePugh and a small circle of like-minded friends began discussing the sorry state of the world at weekly political seminars, and all soon joined the John Birch Society. But by the beginning of 1960 disillusionment had set in and they came to the reluctant conclusion that the Birchers were "all talk and no action" and could never be politically effective. The idea of the Minutemen first came to DePugh during a duck-hunting expedition on the shore of an isolated Missouri lake with nine of his right-wing friends in June 1960, at the height of the U-2 crisis. As they crouched in a muddy duckblind, one of the party expressed apprehension over the international situation and another jokingly reassured him, "Well, if the Russians invade us, we can always come up here and fight on as a guerrilla band." There's no record of DePugh's crying Eureka!, but he began discussing the idea seriously, and ducks were soon forgotten. "We got to talking about how bad off the country would be in case of invasion," he recalls, "and how a group such as ours could become a guerrilla band. We were just talking at first, kicking it around. But somehow the idea caught on."

One of the sportsmen, a veteran of the U. S. Army Special Forces, dusted off his instruction manuals and the group began conducting twice-weekly seminars in guerrilla warfare, with each member assigned a particular field of political study and instructed to prepare a position paper on its relationship to the establishment of an "extralegal" paramilitary opposition to the awaited leftist take-over of the nation. After several months of study and research, DePugh synthesized the results into the first Minuteman manifesto, which postulated eight key conclusions in terms oddly evocative of the current revolutionary jargon of the ultraleft:

1. Our diplomatic war against communism has already been lost by bunglers or traitors within our own Government.
2. This diplomatic war has been and continues to be lost by appointed Government officials beyond the reach of public opinion.
3. We cannot win a diplomatic war against communism abroad until we first establish a genuinely pro-American Government at home.
4. A pro-American Government can no longer be established by normal political means.
5. The minority-vote blocs, controlled labor unions and corrupt political machines, so completely monopolize the American political scene that there is no chance for the average American citizen to regain control of his destiny at the ballot box.
6. Any further effort, time or money spent in trying to save our country by political means would be wasted.
7. The leaders of most other conservative organizations privately agree that it is politically impossible to elect a conservative Government.
8. We conclude that the American people are moving inexorably toward a time of total control and frustration such as must have been felt by the people of Budapest and East Germany when they finally staged their suicidal revolts. Therefore, the objectives of the Minutemen are to abandon wasteful, useless efforts and begin immediately to prepare for the day when Americans will once again fight in the streets for their lives and their liberty. We feel there is overwhelming evidence to prove that this day must come.



At last, DePugh and his right-thinking friends were convinced, the only effective defense against "the Communist menace" had been found: They would fight fire with fire. In justification of his decision to launch the Minutemen, he cites the 1960 Annual Report of the House Committee on Un-American Activities, which concluded:

> Events of the past year have provided convincing evidence that the American people cannot rely completely on this country's Armed Forces to protect themselves from Communist domination and slavery. This is not because our military forces lack the power or the will to defend this country, but rather because the nature of the attacks being made on the United States by its major and only significant enemy are so designed as to render conventional military forces as ineffective as possible for defense purposes.

From the outset, DePugh was undaunted by the odds against him. "We knew that the road ahead wasn't going to be easy," he says. "But we also remembered Edmund Burke's dictum that 'The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing.' We were prepared to put our businesses, our freedom, our very lives on the line—and we have."

DePugh's nine fellow duck hunters were transmogrified overnight into the National Coordinating Council of the fledgling Minutemen of America, and DePugh appointed himself national coordinator. All were rank amateurs at political organization and, at first, the group's progress was halting. "Our own naïveté was our biggest obstacle," DePugh remembers. "None of us had any background in even local politics; I was a chemist, another founder was a veterinarian and the rest were real-estate agents, insurance men and autoworkers. We would have had difficulty getting a new Kiwanis post off the ground, much less organizing an effective clandestine resistance movement."

As a result of their political inexperience, few on the ultraright fringe had even heard of the Minutemen a year after its formation, and those who had, dismissed the group as an ineffectual cabal of crackpots issuing grandiose pronunciamentos on guerrilla warfare from the padded comfort of their armchairs. But slowly, a hard core of disciplined activists began gravitating to DePugh: disgruntled anti-Semites chafing at the John Birch Society's "soft" position on Jews, trigger-happy American Nazis disgusted with George Lincoln Rockwell's "do-nothing" approach and disillusioned dropouts from "responsible" outfits such as the Reverend Billy James Hargis' Christian Crusade. Surrounded by this handful of faithful apostles, the paramilitary messiah spread his nets on conservative waters. The catch, though initially small, was promising. "We needed men ready to kill or be killed for their country," DePugh says of the lean early years, "and we found them." DePugh's life now had new direction and purpose; he had discovered the road for which he'd searched and he was prepared to travel it to the end.

It is not an easy task for an outsider to map that road, for DePugh had avoided public comment on the ultimate destination of his movement: armed revolution. The stated motivations and aspirations of the Minutemen, as set forth in DePugh's voluminous propaganda, appear simple: to prepare for a Communist invasion or uprising that can be resisted only by an underground paramilitary force. Minuteman leaders claim privately, however, that their aim is not to establish "self-defense" civilian auxiliaries to aid the Armed Forces in a national emergency but to overthrow and replace the United States Government through insurrection; and the Minutemen confidently predict that the day is approaching when they will be able to come out of hiding and forcibly seize the reins of power in a nation wracked by racial violence and economic chaos. In the ensuing struggle, Minutemen leaders say they are quite prepared to utilize all the tools of subversion—sabotage, assassination, terrorist attacks—not against a hypothetical Communist invader, but against their own Government, which they consider riddled with card-carrying Reds and fellow travelers.

After poring over hundreds of pages of Minuteman literature—including DePugh's *Blueprint for Victory*, the movement's *Mein Kampf*—this reporter realized that little could be learned of the organization's real strategy or ultimate aims through its propaganda and even less through newspaper accounts of Minuteman activity, which amount to little more than a running account of arrests and convictions. To unravel the skein of the group's operations and discover how serious a menace it actually

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constitutes—as well as to find out what makes individual Minutemen tick—I phoned DePugh at his office in Independence, Missouri (national headquarters of his Patriotic Party), and requested an interview. I'd been warned by several journalists that as DePugh's legal problems multiplied he had grown increasingly chary of the press, which he viewed as a "handmaiden of the Communist conspiracy." But I was greeted with unexpected cordiality: "I'm tied up for the next five days, but I'll see you next week and give you as much time as you need," he promised. "No later, though. After that I'll be—tied up."

In the interim, he suggested I speak to Roy Frankhouser, Jr., in Reading, Pennsylvania, Grand Dragon of the Pennsylvania Ku Klux Klan and regional political coordinator of the Minutemen. He gave me Frankhouser's number and rang off. I reached Frankhouser that evening, and after some initial sparring managed to convince him that I had no ideological ax to grind. We arranged to meet two nights later; one of his men would pick me up at Reading's airport and drive me to an unidentified destination where Frankhouser would be waiting. It sounded mildly melodramatic, but I agreed. "We've got something laid on for that night," Frankhouser said enigmatically. "If you're lucky, we might even let you in on it."

The Reading trip wasn't one I would easily forget. I was met at the airport by a small-eyed man who identified himself as "Roger." Half an hour later, after changing cars twice, we rendezvoused with Frankhouser and his aide, Bob Richland, the Imperial Nighthawk of the state K. K. K. in the darkened parking lot of a Pennsylvania roadhouse. As Frankhouser and Richland jackknifed into the back seat beside me, Roger was restive and impatient.

"You're twenty minutes late," he said, in a hoarse whisper I'd at first thought was an affectation but later learned was his normal speaking voice. "They're expecting us at eleven."

"There was a wreck down the road," said Richland. "They had some girl laid out on the highway with her face bashed in. Her nose must have been smashed all the way back into her skull; the whole top of her head looked like pink jelly." He was visibly upset. A well-groomed, lanky man in his late 30s, he sat hunched over, tugging nervously at the knot of his regimental-stripe tie—I wondered how his Ivy League taste had survived the change to Klan regalia—and wiping a crumpled silk handkerchief back and forth under his chin. "It was terrible. They'll never save her looks, and she must have been a pretty girl, too. White," he added.

Obviously discomfited by his lieutenant's squeamishness, Frankhouser reached over to slam the car door shut and told Roger to get going. "We'll have to kill lots of young girls before this fight is over," he grunted. "Black *and* white." He was a slight young man of 29 with close-cropped black hair, a pencil-thin mustache and one good eye. Articulate and sophisticated, he was a type more likely to be found debating Marcuse in campus New Left *salons* than regaling red-necks in the satin sheets of a K. K. K. Grand Dragon.

Richland didn't reply and Roger pulled the car out onto the highway leading to Pottsville. It was an overcast, bitterly cold night in late February and we were headed for an as-yet-unexplained Minuteman maneuver in the Appalachian Mountains. I was to be the first journalist included on such an "action mission," as opposed to standard training drills, and Frankhouser cautioned me to stay in the background.

"Some of the guys didn't want you along," he explained, "and they're liable to be a little edgy." He smiled and added: "Some of them think it might be a good idea if you didn't come back. It's pretty wild country up there and you can hide a lot of things—even nosy reporters."

His little joke over, he slapped my shoulder with bonhomie. "Don't worry," he said heartily. "We don't mind publicity this time."

As Roger's mud-spattered gray Ford pulled into the snowy foothills, Frankhouser finally explained the purpose of the mission: "We've got an underground bunker up there we use for storing heavy arms and a printing press. We just found out yesterday that some fink in another unit tipped off the FBI, so we've been cleaning everything out of the place before they move in." He lit a cigarette and chuckled expansively. "Tonight we blow the place up."

By now we had left the main highway and were careening precipitously up the mountainside. The Imperial Nighthawk, still shaken by his brush with nonideological violence, stared out the sleet-laced window, but Frankhouser waxed loquacious, studiously disregarding the cautionary looks Roger occasionally darted over one shoulder.

"We've got hundreds of bunkers like this all over the country," he boasted, "all of them packed with machine guns, mortars and automatic weapons—and that's in addition to the caches of arms we wrap in plastic and bury underground. Our men do twenty-four-hour guard duty in shifts over each bunker to ensure security. When D day comes we won't be in the streets with popguns."

"When *will* D day come?" I asked.

Frankhouser shrugged. "Who knows?" he replied. "But one thing is certain: For the first time since Huey Long, the stage is set for the rise of an American brand of fascism. Not that right-wingers can take any credit for it. The race riots have done our work for us; the black nationalists are our biggest recruiting agents; I wish there were a *hundred* Stokely Carmichaels and Rap Browns. After each Watts, each Detroit, we get thousands of new backlash members—and best of all, a big slice of them are disgruntled cops and National Guardsmen. Multiply those figures in light of what's going to happen in the big cities over the next three or four summers and you've really got the makings of a revolutionary situation. Under those circumstances, anything and everything is possible—including a right-wing takeover."

"Have Minutemen been involved in inciting the race riots?" I asked.

"You mean shooting at both sides to heat things up?" He smiled. "Not yet. Right now we can afford to just stand back on the side lines and pick up the pieces; we're the inheritors of social bankruptcy, you might say. And the same holds true for the black nationalists; after each bloody riot they get a lot of uncommitted niggers going over to their side. It's sort of a symbiotic situation. Let them shoot the Jews on their list, we'll shoot the Jews on ours, and then we can shoot each other!"

The idea amused him; he waved his hand magnanimously when Richland gestured suspiciously at the whirring tape recorder balanced on my lap. "It's all right. Let him print what he wants to. I don't have anything to hide—at least, not anything I'd tell *him*!"

I asked Frankhouser how the Minutemen planned to accomplish their seizure of power.

"Look at Germany and Italy," he said. "When the people see their society dissolving into chaos, when they're threatened on every side by riots and violence and economic convulsion, they'll turn to any force tough enough and ruthless enough to impose order. That's what most people really want, you know—*order*. Not abstractions like freedom and equality and justice. That's all right for the fat times, but when the pinch is on, they want their property and their lives protected and they don't give a damn how it's done or who does it. That's why we're working and organizing now—not to take over tomorrow or the next day, which would be impossible, but to be ready when the time comes, and even a small, tight-knit and well-trained nucleus of men can play a role all out of proportion to its numbers. It only takes one wolf to terrorize a herd of sheep, you know. Cigarette?"

I declined. "The first thing we've got to do," he continued, "is disassociate ourselves from old-fogy conservatives like the John Birch Society. We've got to develop a radical revolutionary program that will appeal to the workingman on the two levels where he really lives—bread-and-butter issues and race. We've got to convince the worker that he's being economically oppressed by the powers-that-be and only we can save him. It's the carrot and the stick, in a sense; the niggers and the fear they breed are the stick, and the carrot is the promise of not only the assurance of safety from them but all the economic advantages we can deliver. We're really entering a fantastically exciting age—an age of race war, where the color of your skin is your uniform."

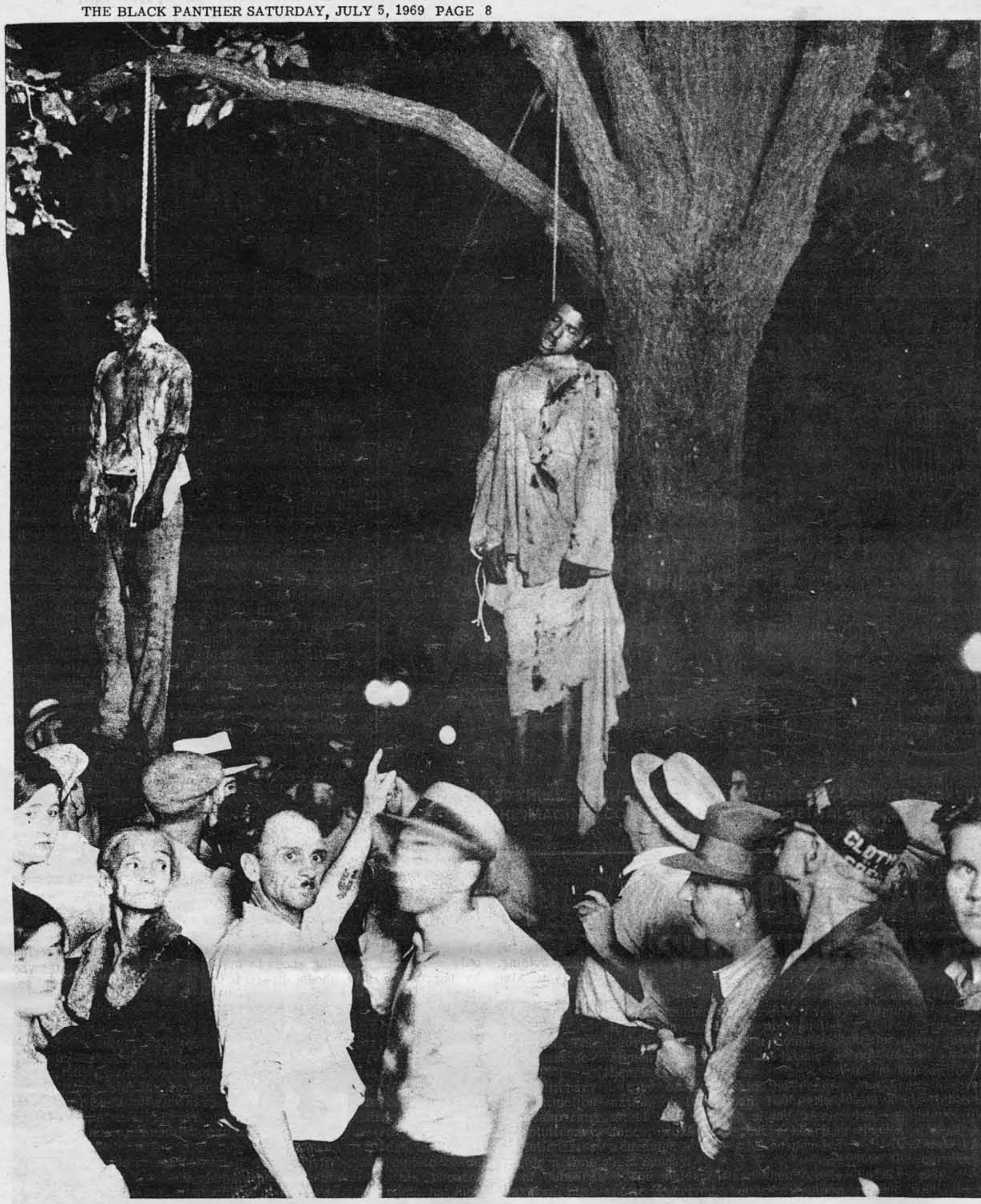
Roger interrupted to tell us we were within a half mile of our destination, and to speak softly. He had switched the headlights off, and we now inched along at less than ten miles an hour. Frankhouser, rapt in his vision of the future, continued in muted tones.



The Ku Klux Klan, the first fascist organization in the world, the child of American "Democracy".

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GENOCIDE

We, the Black Panthers are the Vanguard of the oppressed people's liberation struggle; oxen to be rident by the people down the trail to social revolution (Equal land and Wealth). We are not the Vanguard because we choose to say so, but because of sweat and blood shed by Panthers all over this so-called beautiful country. Blood shed by the hands of ignorant fascists who have developed a kill psychosis from brutalizing and murdering Panthers. Not only have they developed a kill psychosis from brutalizing and murdering Panthers but the total oppressed class, Blood, Blood, Blood, Panther Blood -- Vanguard - my brothers and sisters, people's blood my class brothers and sisters - Black, Brown, Red, Yellow, White Polka Dot; we will have our manhood. We will free all political prisoners. We will have our liberation by any means necessary!

I shake my fist at the demagogic (self-interest) politicians of America because they do not meet the basic needs of the people. I shake my fists at the demagogic politicians of America because of the lies and conspiracies they have waged against the proletarian class. Yes! I accuse the demagogic politicians and avaricious (greedy) businessmen and racist pig cops of GENOCIDE! The crime of destroying the lives, liberty, property and culture of a political organization and other beautiful class brothers and sisters. Thousands they have murdered and thousands are subjected to subhuman existance while they sit around on their fat asses and oink to the people. The pigs of America have committed a crime against humanity. Because of this capitalistic inferior government, law and order without justice, fear and repression; America has become a fascist state. NO!

I'm not going to stop here. I'm going to go on because I'm so sick of these pigs; I'm so tired and determined to get rid of these pigs! Because the United Nations General Assembly unanimously adopted a resolution affirming that "Genocide is a crime under international law" and advised that international and unilateral measures be taken to suppress it. I say to the proletarian class of America, you must unite with the Vanguard -- real friends to fight real enemies. We must do whatever is necessary to sustain our existence in Babylon. We must do this because the United Nations knowing the situation, refuses to do her job in Babylon!

Oppressed people of America, I will define Genocide so there will be no mistake or doubt about your rising up taking the gun in one hand and the definition of Genocide in the other, marching to Pennsylvania Avenue to sweep the halls of Congress clean of the parasites and leeches who keep the people in bondage by fear and repression

Definition: A. Killing members of a group. B. Causing serious bodily or mental harm to members of a group. C. Deliberately inflicting on the group conditions of life, calculated in whole or part.
or part. D. Imposing measures intended to prevent birth within a group. E. Forcibly transferring children of a group to another group.

No! I will not stop here. I will go on to accuse the pigs of Conspiracy to commit genocide of all people and organizations who speak out against the inhuman unconstitutional bullshit in Babylon. Conspiracy to commit genocide by using their lying misleading news media which is used for public incitement; at this minute they are preparing the American People to accept total genocide of the People's Party -- Vanguard of the People's Liberation struggle. These pigs cannot say they are not guilty because they have the blood of the Minister of Defense Huey P. Newton, now a political prisoner, Lil Bobby Hutton, Bunchy and John, Albert Linthcome, Manuel Ramos, John Earl Cushingberry, Charles Cox murdered at Fillmore pig station -- all murdered by pigs. The Conspiracy 8 (Democratic Convention) pending verdict, Erica Huggins -- Conn. 8 N.Y. 21, Dep. Chairman Fred Hampton of the Illinois 16 are political prisoners -- and hundreds of others who stood up and fought for liberation have been murdered, in jail or in exile.

Because of all the crimes the pigs have waged and are waging, we; the people have a right -- a God given right and free will to do whatever is necessary to put out the fire in Babylon -- hungry children all over the country, diseases and ignorance -- running rampant, napalming the peace loving people in Vietnam; and the overkill tactics they employ are intolerable and we will no longer stand for it. To move from all these unbearable conditions, we must become dedicated. We must make commitments just as the Minister of Defense, Huey P. Newton and Deputy Chairman Fred Hampton of the Illinois Chapter, Black Panther Party did when he said, "I have no life to give other than a life for the people. Let all tests of revolution confront me. Those that I am not ready for I will become ready for -- People Unite."

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE!;
Chaka

UFAF LABOR COMMITTEE

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

On May 1, 1933, Adolf Hitler gathered labor leaders from all over Germany to participate in a May Day celebration. No expense was spared. The city was festive and gay. It rang with traditional speeches of labor solidarity.

On May 2, 1933, the German labor movement had been smashed. All the celebrants of the day before were in jail. The offices and assets of every local were seized. All contracts were declared null and void. Hitler then organized his own trade unions which were to guarantee a docile work force for the Fascist state. Low wages, intolerable working conditions and strict obedience to the Fascist state were the lot of working men and women for more than a decade.

The most reactionary sections of monopoly in the United States are boldly implementing a program to bring Fascism to this country. The state apparatus: courts, police, the armed forces, the giant government bureaucracy have combined to destroy the constitutionally guaranteed rights of our people. The rights of Third World People, which have never been fully recognized, are subject to the sharpest attack. Various right wing, and often explicitly pro-Nazi organizations are attempting to utilize 300 years of racism in this country to split the American people. They intend to prevent us from uniting to solve the many problems we face. The recent Wallace campaign is a clear example of this process.

No American should forget the large number of American businessmen who wanted the United States to intervene on the side of Hitler in World War II. These were the same men who fought most vigorously the gains of the CIO and the unemployed during the New Deal.

Fascism always depends on the division of working people along racial lines. German Fascism depended primarily on the oppression and extermination of the Jewish people. American Fascism is counting on its ability to sell the oppression and extermination of Blacks, Browns, and other minorities. But as the history of Germany shows, Fascism only lulls the people with racism to mask its program of terroristic rule and increased exploitation of all people.

It is no accident that the most racist, most anti-labor, most anti-student businessmen and members of Congress are also the champions of increased military aggression abroad. These are the people most likely to leade the world into WW III. If we fail to stop the Fascist offensive we shall also fail to stop nuclear war.

No one group has the strength to oppose Fascism. If we allow the rights of our brothers, black or white, to be trampled without protest, we can expect that we too will be isolated and stripped of our rights.

A national conference for a UNITED FRONT AGAINST FASCISM in America will be held in Oakland on July 18, 19 and 20. We invite you to participate without prior commitment.

We ask that this conference be placed on the agenda of the meetings of your local between now and July 17, 1969. If you wish we will send representatives to your meetings to discuss the matter.

Solidarity is not old fashioned -- it is the hope of the future. THE BEST GUARANTEE AGAINST FASCISM IS A POWERFUL, AGGRESSIVE AND VIGILANT LABOR MOVEMENT.

UNITE AGAINST FASCISM!

Kenny Horsten
Member UAW #1364

Blaine Wishart
Member Teamsters Local

John Feit
Member Butcher Workmen #203



LANDON R. WILLIAMS, POLITICAL PRISONER

CONDITIONS OF JAILS--FROM MEMBERS OF THE PANTHER N.Y. 21

Privileges were given to inmates on 6-South, 2 weeks ago, on Monday, June 2, 1969. Privileges such as Religious rights to worship the religion of your choice, Catholic, Christian Science, Protestant, and Jewish services. Roof top recreation is to be given sometime this week, as stated by the warden. The inmates on 6-South have not had these privileges until recently.

Inmates had to put in commissary slips for commissary, which is on the second floor. Certain inmates, about 5, already had the privilege of going down to commissary. 3 or 4 days ago I put in a request slip to go to the commissary with the other 4 or 5 (certain) inmates. My slip was answered by the Deputy warden the next day, I was told that I could go in a couple of days, I also asked about the other inmates, and was told by the Deputy warden, that everyone would be able to go. The next day it was announced to the inmates by the officer of duty.

All of this just started to take place about 2 months, when the new warden took over. They also had (or have by now) a goon squad consisting of 6 to 8 (coward) officers, which are called by the Tier officer on duty if a prisoner gets out of hand or talks back to Tier officer. Most of the time the Tier officer lies over the phone or when the goon squad arrives, their thing is to slap, kick, punch, inmates. Some times they use long sticks to beat them unconscious, and then throw them into the Bing for a period of time. One inmate has an indefinite time in the Bing. Bing: All privileges are taken away, no reading, no writing, no visits, no smoking, no nothing, although they do feed you. Also different inmates are beaten with black jacks.

This is not a house of correction or detention it's a house of corruption and exploitation.

Conditions are hell, but changing - you know why.

1. Change of linen once every 2 to 3 weeks.
2. Inmates are not allowed to take a shower before going to court.
3. Reading material is fiction.
4. Allowed to buy the Daily News only from the Commissary
5. Two inmates to a cell on 6-South--very crowded
6. Inmates do not get their proper medication, they need.
7. Dentist has no pity for his patients.
8. Inmates give each other hair cuts. (by house gang)
9. Racism is practiced here by certain officers, but in a hidden manner now.
10. Inmates are told by their lawyers to cop-out, even if they are innocent of charges.
11. Inmates do all the cleaning up throughout the institution, some inmates on house gang, even change light bulbs, while electrician just stands by and watch
12. Inmates are made to strip bare outside their cells, while officers go through their cells. After wrecking everything, inmates are told to dress. This is done at anytime - it's called a shake down.

INMATES DEMANDS

1. Inmates demand to send out more than just one personal letter a day.
2. Inmates demand to receive their own personal shoes from their homes. (An inmate cannot receive his own shoes from home.) His only source of retaining shoes is by purchasing new shoes direct from the retailer through means of mail. Inmates cannot affort to adhere to these conditions entailed, set up by the administration.
3. Inmates demand to have visitors other than just their family and relatives (most inmate's relatives are dead or live miles out of town, visiting privileges must be denied because inmates cannot have visitors from out of town.
4. Inmates demand a solution to the problems of dandruff and body ordor. There is no oils, creams, or grease obtainable to help the scalp (deodorants, soap and water alone definitely will not solve this problem.
5. Inmates demand that their meats with their meals be cooked so it is eatable (also there is no sugar in the cereal at any time and powdered milk is used. Inmates have to buy milk from the Commissary.)
6. Inmates demand that the Medical staff be efficient. Inmates do not get the proper medication that their aliments require.
7. Inmates demand an immediate end to police brutality and murder of the oppressed people in these houses of detention.
8. Inmates demand an immediate halt to police harassment of inmates daily by certain low-level thinking officers
9. Inmates demand an immediate end to racism practiced by certain officers and patrolmen who are employed here in this institution, and also certain inmates.
10. Inmates demand an immediate separation of the homosexual inmates (which causes a lot of the fights with the other inmates that are not), which is a further step into exploitation on the other inmates mainly younger inmates who do not know what is going on.

Ali Bey Hassan

A Letter to Landon

Dear Landon:

The pigs think that they can break you and Rory by giving you bread and water and keeping you in solitary confinement. But they are buffoons! A warrior that is not afraid of death by a thousand cuts cannot be broken. Landon, we miss you and Rory physically but your revolutionary spirit and true love for the people cannot be negated by any force. The will to make revolution cannot be stopped by any buffle brained fascists. The workers in the revolution are comprised of many young brothers and sisters whose energy and strength will not malady by the terror and demagogy of fascism. Mao says, the youth will make the revolution; that they make it and keep it. Through correct examples we know this to be true. "Young people are most sensitive to new things and most willing to learn; they are least conservative in their thinking..." Hu Yao Pang. The swines are such fools not to notice that whenever revolutionaries are jailed or murdered, a revolutionary child is born. Bunchy is dead, but a son was born to him. Papa had to leave for a while, his child will be born in July; Doc has four; Bobby has one; and you have given the people Kijana, a warrior and your daughter. The pigs don't know that a true revolutionary fears not even death, but they will find out in the end. Right now they are going berserk in suppressing the people with terror, but that only shows that they are coming clear to their doom.

There is nothing more to talk about.

Practice is the criterion.

Blood to the horse's brow and woe to those who cannot swim.

Comrade Marsha



Pig Harassment

7 PANTHERS BUSTED

Seven members of Milwaukee's Chapter of the Black Panther Party have been arrested or ticketed in six different incidents since last Thursday. And the Panthers feel that the police are out to get them.

One Panther accused the cops of trying "to bust as many people as they possibly can on misdemeanors and any other charges they can get".

In some of the arrests, Party members were singled out by the police even though they were with a crowd of persons, anyone of whom could have been arrested, the Panther said.

Here are the arrest incidents in chronological sequence:

THURSDAY - Howard "Doc Apples" Harrelson was charged with illegal parking at the corner of 9th and State Sts. Panthers said that the light was about to turn red when Harrelson stopped his car and let two passengers out. Before the door was closed, a sheriff's deputy yelled to get the car moving, said the Panthers, but Harrelson refused to run the light which was still red. The deputy then pulled him over and ticketed him.

The Panthers said that Harrelson asked the deputy for his identification, but he refused to show it saying he didn't have to prove anything.

FRIDAY - Felix Welch, field lieutenant, was arrested for disorderly conduct, after he spoke over a bullhorn to Milwaukee 14 supporters outside the courtroom where 11 of the 14 were being sentenced.

SATURDAY- Gene Epps was arrested for loitering outside the Oasis Theater at 2626 W. Center St. The theater was being picketed by black teenagers because reportedly children were forced to sit on the floor. Epps was selling Black Panther newspapers at the time of the arrest.

Also arrested for disorderly conduct was Robert "Curley" Watson, president of the NAACP Youth Council.

SATURDAY - Nate Bellamy, lieutenant of information was charged with carrying a concealed weapon and failure to yield to an unmarked police car after he was rammed by the police at an intersection. Bellamy is in County General Hospital with a broken leg and head injuries and is under police security.

Bellamy and other witnesses stated that the siren and flashing light was off in the police car. Police contend they were on.

The Panthers said that Bellamy had been visited in the hospital by FBI agents seeking information on the Party.

SATURDAY - James Johnson was charged with carrying a concealed weapon as a result of a stroll in the vicinity of the Cross Luthern Church, 1281 N. 16th St. where the Panthers were holding a rally.

Johnson was stopped and frisked because police said, he matched the description of a person who had just damaged a bus. The police discovered that he wasn't the bus vandal and in the process they allegedly discovered the weapon.

SUNDAY - Darkin Gentry, Captain of Defense, and Jesse White were arrested outside the Oasis Theater for disorderly conduct. Gentry, White and two other Panthers had gone to the theater to talk to the management about the issue of sitting kids on the floor. The teenagers were picketing again.

On their way out of the theater, the police had arrived and told everyone to move away from the door. The Panthers said that the crowd was backing away, but not fast enough for the police, who started shoving a Black Panther.

This created a hassle which resulted in the arrests, said the Panthers.



Tijerina Busted

The FBI today arrested Reies Lopez Tijerina, leader of Alianza (Alliance of Free States) active in the southwestern states. Tijerina was arrested after U.S. District Court Judge Howard Bratton revoked his appeal bond issued after his conviction in 1967 on charges of assaulting a federal officer. A motion asking for the revocation had been filed by the U.S. Attorney's office. The grounds for the revocation were the arrest of Tijerina on the previous Sunday when he was charged with setting fire to a sign in a National Forest. Tijerina's group, Alianza, claims title to much of the Southwest on the grounds that the land had been illegally stolen from Latin ancestors. The 1967 incident grew out of an attempt by Alianza members to make a series of citizens arrests as provided under state law. Alianza has not given up on this practice. Since June 3 of this year, Alianza members have attempted to make citizen's arrests of Supreme Court Chief Justice Warren Berger, New Mexico Governor David Cargo, scientist Dr. Norris Bradbury, and Special U.S. Forest Service Agent James Evans.

Fascist Milwaukee Pigs Attempt To Bait Panthers Into Shootout

At about 1:00 A.M. Thursday morning, the pigs started their week-16 maneuvers on the Black Panther office in Milwaukee. This time they planted detonators in the back yard and ran some shit down about responding to gun shots when the detonators went off.

Security reports that squad cars had been in the area in mass for at least an hour before.

As it went down many of the members were a couple of blocks away. After the call from security, some came back to the building, circling for a while on foot. In the mean time the Party security patrol, who were unaware to a brother being in trouble entered the area. When the pigs recognized them, they automatically pounced on the brothers, the only reason this went down was because we didn't start firing on pigs when the detonators went off, as they had planned. The pig chief faggot Miller was so frustrated and itchy he openly invited individual Panthers to a shoot-out.

Everyone on the street was stopped and thoroughly searched even sisters. When sisters objected to the search the new pig rifle, Mark 10, was shoved in their faces. The pigs purposely tried to push people into reacting. In the end five brothers were arrested. Richard Smithe was charged with loitering when he refused to show his red-book, Jessie White, 20, carrying a concealed weapon, $350 bail. Raymond Owens, 30, Leslie Mays 19, and Allen Crawford, 20, were all charged with carrying a concealed weapon and their bail was $350.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE
Information Staff, Wisconsin Chapter, Black Panther Party
PANTHER POWER TO THE VANGUARD

DOWN ON THE FLOOR

It had been reported, black children were being forced to sit on the floor of the Oasis Theatre at 27th and Center. A group of black teenagers were picketing the theatre and telling people about what had been going down. Darkin Gentry, Captain of Defense of the Milwaukee Chapter of the Black Panther Party and three other Black Panthers, went to the manager and the owner of the Theatre to investigate the matter.

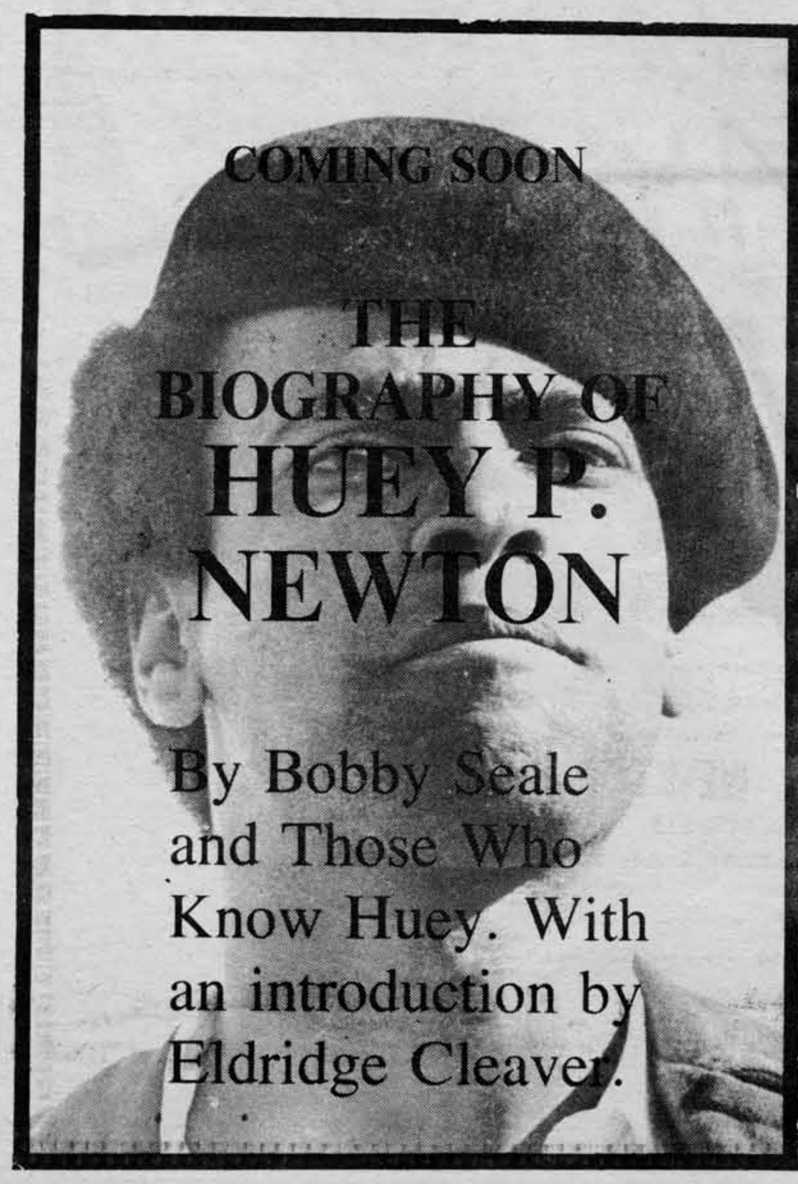
Some Tomming nigger, Vernon Patterson, who claims to be the assistant manager, admitted this had been the practice of the Theatre in the past, but they had recently stopped. The owner denied the whole story. (It is suggested the owner talk to his nigger so his lie can be straightened out next time.)

When the Panthers left the building a small crowd had gathered in front of the theatre. Two pigs, who had been parked across the street in the alley, came to the Theatre after pig agent tom punk nigger Patterson had talked to them. The pigs told everyone to get away from the door. People started backing away from the door, but no one was going in.

When it was decided that the crowd wasn't moving fast enough, the pig picked a Black Panther to push around. A hassle started between the crowd and the pigs. When it was all over, two Panthers, Jesse White and Darkin Gentry, were arrested for disorderly conduct. It was clear the pigs were after the Black Panthers.

This will not make the Party stop working for the PEOPLE! It must be made very clear to the pigs -- they cannot run over our people any longer. It must be made crystal clear to the pigs and their flunkies: the people will not allow them to run through our communities.

THE PIGS MUST GO!
ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE!
PANTHER POWER TO THE VANGUARD!



Letter From Prison

Rikers Island
Alex McKeiver
Eddie Joseph

They are separated on different sides of the floor. 2-man cells 6 by 6.

Brother Eddie goes to school. Both are given the same treatment as the other inmates - except the mail is held up for days - if they let it go through at all.

Letter From A Concentration Camp

To whom it may concern:

The brother and myself are living under one of the most inhumane conditions there is. First I will relate briefly the physical aspects of this condition. My lights stay on 24 hours a day. The food they serve is uneatable, as for myself my stomach is very weak and I just cannot eat the food. It would make me more miserable than if I didn't.

One does not get a chance to get a decent shower but once or twice a week. There are many physical handicaps one must overcome under these adverse conditions, but now I will try to relate a few of the mental hurdles one must try to overcome in order to cope with these inhumane situations.

Due to the fact that I have epileptic seizures I don't receive the adequate medication to stop or relieve me from going into convulsions and becoming unconscious. Many times when I go to sleep in this so-called bed at night, I find myself covered with blood all over the place the next day. I have had about 8 epileptic seizures since April 3, 1969, and I have only seen the doctor two times.

These motherfucking pigs are trying to kill me but they have a big surprise coming. I AM NOT DYING.

OFF THE PIG
POWER TO THE PEOPLE
Lee Berry (Mkubwa)

JAILING OF ABERNATHY FAILS TO BREAK STRIKE

By TIM WHEELER

CHARLESTON, S. C., June 23 — The morale of tens of thousands of embattled black people in this deep south city continues unbroken as Rev. Ralph David Abernathy fasted in Charleston jail today to press the demands of the hospital workers in their bitter strike.



HELD IN $50,000 BAIL, Rev. Ralph D. Abernathy, right, and Hosea Williams, leaders of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, were arrested Friday on charges of rioting as they led a rally in support of striking hospital workers in Charleston, S.C.

The workers, mainly black women, crowded the union hall on East Bay Street with their husbands and children today to plan another demonstration this afternoon. They face arrests and police attack if they carry through their plan. Police are everywhere in this city, armed with four-foot hickory clubs and with riot guns at the ready.

Hundreds of National Guardsmen stand on alert at the armory nearby. Several strike supporters were beaten yesterday when Rev. Abernathy, Hosea Williams and other leaders of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference were arrested while leading prayers for a just settlement.

The prisoners were charged with incitement to riot and placed under $50,000 bail.

A massive campaign of civil disobedience was called for by Rev. Abernathy to force the truculent state administration to grant the workers' demands.

"My husband asked me to report that he and SCLC will be here until the workers secure a decent living wage," declared Mrs. Abernathy, at a press conference this morning. She said that the Medical College hospital and county hospital must approve a grievance committee that will ensure for the workers "meaningful procedures for protecting and maintaining their rights."

Real cause of riots

Denouncing the charge of incitement to riot against her husband, she declared, "It is time for this nation to learn that exploitation of poor people is the real incitement to riot. It is the misuse of police power and of the courts that may incite rioting in Charleston and in communities throughout this nation.

"It is bigotry and hate that have incited riots. It is everyday violence to school children in the inadequate schools, violence to unemployed and underemployed men and women, violence to hungry people, violence to those who live in slums.

"In Charleston it appears that the oppressors of the hospital workers have shifted to a course of reckless police oppression, a course that will not work."

The town is deserted at the very time when tourism should be at its peak, a key industry in this city. The boycott of all shops on King Street is hurting business badly. This is compelling sectors of the business community to pressure for settlement.

Organized labor is under pressure from the hospital workers to throw its support to the strike. But so far it has been quite timid. A dawn to dusk curfew, from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m., turns Charleston in the evenings into a ghost town inhabited by state police and National Guardsmen.

The giant textile interests have unleashed a massive armed campaign to smash the union, declared Carl Farris, project director of the SCLC in Charleston.

"The textile industry is dictating this union-busting policy," he sais. "They sent in Claude Haynesworth, an expert union buster from Greensville, S. C., who has spent his entire life breaking strikes. He is being paid $50 an hour by the County Hospitals and $100 an hour by the Medical College Hospital.

"They are using the negotiations to try to break the union, not to settle the strike. Five or six times we have almost settled, then they bring up some minor issue to disrupt the settlement. This is a deliberate strategy."

Strategy backfiring

But he said the strategy was backfiring as anger grows in Charleston and throughout the state at the refusal of the authorities to bargain.

He had sharp words of criticism for the token support from organized labor throughout the nation. The main aid, he noted, has been in the form of financial assistance. "This is not the main need," he said.

"Leadership can do more. If leadership can't call sympathy work stoppages, then they are falling short of their responsibility."

He said organized workers should refuse to handle products from South Carolina. "Longshoremen," he declared, "should not handle goods from South Carolina ports, teamsters should halt all trucks at the South Carolina border.

Attack on A.S.U.

Navy Brass Charges Sailor with Subversion

June 26, 1969

Naval Station, Washington, D.C., June 26--A twenty-five year old editor of an anti-war newspaper and member of the American Servicemen's Union faces a Navy court-martial and imprisonment for alleged violations of the Uniform Code of Military Justice including disrespect toward General Earl G. Wheeler, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Priest is also charged with using "contemptuous words" against the Chairman of the Armed Forces Committee to the House of Representatives, L. Mendel Rivers. In an article entitled "Bobby Seal's Parable", that Priest is accused of distributing to other servicemen, Rivers is compared to a pig. Priest is further charged with sedition for reprinting a slogan made popular by Eldridge Cleaver "Todays pigs are tomorrows bacon."

Commenting on the charges against Seaman Priest, Andy Stapp, Chairman of the ASU stated, "We consider the attack on brother Priest to be an attack on all ASU members and all people fighting against the Ruling Class. Roger is not simply being singled out by the brass because he is an ASU member but because he correctly pointed out that notorious fascist scum like Wheeler and Rivers are pigs and must be crushed by the people."

Roger Priest will be defended by David Rein, a Washington lawyer.

The parable which Priest is being court-martialed for distributing is as follows:

BOBBY SEALE'S PARABLE

Once upon a time, there was a very poor man who was walking along the base of a tall mountain. The man was extremely thirsty, so he was delighted when he came upon a stream.

But as he bent down to quench his thirst, he noticed that the stream was full of muck and filth. In desperate need of a cool, clean drink, the man tried to get the muck and filth out of the stream, but to no avail.

As he was about to give up, another man appeared and asked him what he was doing.

"I am very, very thirsty", the poor man said, "but I can't drink from this stream because it is filthy and I am unable to clean it".

The second man smiled and explained that the stream was full of muck and filth because a huge hog was standing in the middle of the stream at the top of the mountain.

"This hog," the man said, "is pissing and shitting in the stream and that is why it is so dirty."

"If you want a cool, clean drink, you must get that hog out of that stream."

And with that, the two men set out to climb the mountain and get the hog out of the stream.

L. MENDEL RIVERS, GET YOUR ASS OUT OF THAT STREAM. YOU HEAR, BOY?

Eldridge Cleaver's slogan reads as follows:

"Today's pigs are tomorrow's bacon"

"We must stop the capitalist corporate power structure from killing us, taxing us, dividing us and ruling us. Why do we have capitalism, imperialism and an economy based on militarism? The time has come to fail the system. It only uses us to perpetuate itself. To serve the system is treason. Smash the state. Power to the People".

"We will stop at NOTHING to stop the Vietnam war, and power arrangements that made it possible. We take that "NOTHING" seriously".

"Destroy that sacred cow of capitalism--property".

"Bomb America. Make Coca-Cola someplace else."

"Our goal is liberation...by any means necessary."

"Shoot a pig!!"

150 BATTLE PIGS OUTSIDE THEATRE

(Santa Ana, UPI, June 30, 1969)

A crowd of about 150 showered police with rocks and bottles last night after a teenage girl was ejected from a downtown theater.

Police said the unidentified girl was ordered from the Broadway Theater by its management, once outside, officers were summoned.

L.A. PIGS SHOOT FIRST, QUESTION LATER

Los Angeles, June 23 - Two white youths are dead from recent shootings by trigger-happy cops here.

On June 12, Donald Lee Oughton was on his way home to watch wrestling on television. It was early evening and Oughton, who had a major speech defect, was crossing an overpass over the Hollywood Freeway. Officers Henry Kennedy, a rookie and Norman P. O'Mally were in search of a reported sniper.

Oughton, who was reportedly running, according to the police version, suddenly slowed to a walk. This aroused their suspicions. Caught in the headlights of the police car Oughton was ordered to halt. He did so, and reached for his pocket apparently to get out the card with his name and address which he always carried for identification because of his speech impediment.

Kennedy shouted to his partner, "Watch out he's got a gun." He then fired, missing Oughton but hitting his partner, O'Malley, in the finger. O'Malley then shot the young man. Oughton was dead on arrival at the Central Receiving Hospital.

The following night, Frank Brandon, 23, son of Dr. Robert Brandon, former mayor of Burbank, was killed by police bullets. A single blast from the 12 gauge shotgun of Officer Robert H. Jacobs ended his life.

From all indications, Brandon had been at a bar on Magnolia Blvd. It was past 2 a.m. Police officers shouted from outside for the man in the bar to come out, then fired through the opague window and killed Brandon.

"Why didn't they use tear gas?" asked his father, former mayor Brandon, who is a dentist.

Taken from the View from Left Field - article by Sam Kushner

MESSAGE TO SISTER
OF THE BLACK PAN



ERICA HUGGINS

I'd like to send a very special word to sister Erica Huggins, the wife of our slain, murdered Deputy Minister of Information, John Huggins, who was murdered along with our Deputy Minister of Defense, Brother Alprentice "Bunchy" Carter. He's Bunchy to me.

Sister Erica is now incarcerated in Connecticut. The pigs have plotted with this bald headed, renegade, that boot-licking, black capitalist, cultural nationalist reactionary, Ron Karenga and his stooges, to take the lives of these two dearly beloved hard working brothers.

And now, the pigs have compounded this by taking this woman, this black woman, this sister, after inflicting this horrible pain upon her by murdering the father of her newborn child. Taking her away from her child and placing her behind bars on some trumped-up charges.

I know Erica, and I know that she's a very strong sister. But I know that she is now being subjected to a form of torture that is horrible. I know that she is strong and that she will endure and sister Erica, be strong sister.

We must not rest until this sister is liberated, and if she is not out at this moment, then she should be out just as rapidly as it is possible for us to get her out. And an example to all of us, let it be a lesson and an example to all of the sisters, particularly to all of the brothers, that we must understand that our women are suffering strongly and enthusiastically as we are participating in the struggle. And I'm aware that it has been a problem in all organizations in Babylon to structure our struggle in such a way that our sisters, our women are liberated and made equal in our struggle and in regard to sister Erica, I know that the Minister of Defense, Huey P. Newton has spoken out many times that the male chauvinism that is rampant in Babylon in general, and also rampant in our own ranks.

The incarceration and the suffering of Sister



EXCERPT FROM TAPE OF ELDRIDGE
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THE COMPLETE TAPE WILL BE PLAY

...STER ERICA HUGGINS
... PANTHER PARTY



Erica should be a stinging rebuke to all manifestations of male chauvinims within our ranks. That we must purge our ranks and our hearts, and our minds, and our understanding of any chauvinism, chauvinistic behavior of disrespectful behavior toward women. That we must too recognize that a woman can be just as revolutionary as a man and that she has equal stature, that, along with men, and that we cannot prejudice her in any manner, that we cannot relegate her to an inferior position. That we have to recognize our women as our equals and that revolutionary standards of principles demand that we go to great lengths to see to it that disciplinary action is taken on all levels against those who manifest male chauvinism behavior.

Because the liberation of women is one of the most important issues facing the world today. Great efforts have been made in various parts of the world to do something about this, but I know from my own experience that the smouldering and the burning of the flame decend for liberation of women in Babylon is the issue that is going to explode, and if we're not careful it's going to destroy our ranks, destroy our organization, because women want to be liberated just as all oppressed people want to be liberated.

So if we want to go around and call ourselves a vanguard organization, then we've got to be the vanguard in all our behaviour, and to be the vanguard also in the area of women's liberation and set an example in that area, and all of us to start being respectful and not condescending and patronizing, but to really understand and look upon this question, recognize, that women are our other half, they're not our weaker half, they're not our stronger half, but they are our other half and that we sell ourselves out, we sell our children out, and we sell our women out when we treat them in any other manner.

We have to be very careful about that, and Sister Erica Huggins is a shining example of a revolutionary woman whose been meted out the same kind of injustice from the pig power structure that a revolutionary man receives. So they didn't put her in a powder puffed cell. They did not make life easy for her. But the pigs recognized a revolutionary woman to be just as much a threat as a revolutionary man.

And so we recognize that we also have a duty to stop inflicting injustices of misuse of women. We have to be very careful about that, and we all know the problem. But I'm saying that it's mandatory, the Minister of Defense Huey P. Newton has said that it is mandatory that all manifestations of male chauvinism be excluded from our ranks and that sisters have a duty and the right to do whatever they want to do in order to see to it that they are not relegated to an inferior position, and that they're not treated as though they are not equal members of the Party and equal in all regards. And that they're not subjected to male practices.

And Sister Erica Huggins is a good example of a revolutionary woman who has sacraficed everything, including her husband. So Sister Erica - Right On.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE

...ELDRIDGE BREAKING HIS
...ERE IN THE THIRD WORLD
...LL BE PLAYED NATIONALLY.

NOT GUILTY ! THE SANTA ANA 1

The reactionary, racist, fascistic Santa Ana Pig Dept. is continuing their kangaroo court proceedings against the Santa Ana One - Daniel Michael Lynem. He was to be brought forth for preliminary hearing, motions for discovery of evidence and the return of his illegally obtained property. Court proceedings were to begin at 10:00 a.m., Monday Morning, June 16. Proceedings were delayed by various bureaucratic methods until 11:45 a.m. The Judge, an obvious recruit from some zoo, then announced that the preliminary hearing was dismissed, and that Michael has just been secretly indicted for murder by the Santa Ana Grand Jury.

The D.A. realized that he would have to present his non-existent evidence at the scheduled preliminary hearing (which is open to the public), so he made the strategic move of having the preliminary dismissed and a secret indictment handed down to save face and to maintain the trumped-up charges.

The 42 people who were able to squeeze into the small courtroom went into an uproar. The approximately 150 persons unable to get into the courtroom were outside petitioning for a larger courtroom. This combined group then moved on the newsmen outside who were badgering Michael's father and wife for statements and answers to questions. Panthers who had been unable to get into the courtroom were politicizing and selling papers. The people responded with many questions about Fascism, and the Pigs responded with concrete examples.

Previously, various members of the Los Angeles and Santa Ana Branches of the Black Panther Party had been picked up and harassed (and one beaten) on suspicion of murder in connection with the Santa Ana case. Also, Panthers from L.A. who have been attending court hearings in Santa Ana have been stopped for no reason every time they have been in Santa Ana. They have had Panthers' Legal Defense literature, materials and information taken and photographed without legal warrants of any kind. The people knew of these incidents and remembered them when we appeared at the courtroom. This has helped to build up the understanding and support of the community, particularly for Michael and the Panthers for the insane treatment we have received from the pigs under the guise of law and order. But generally the Santa Ana community has come to understand exactly how Fascism, capitalism, and racism work.

Michael's trial date has been set for July 21, 1969. The community of Santa Ana has already begun to mobilize around Mike's case, and the larger issue of the necessity of community control of police in order to end fascism. Sunday, June 22, at Santa Ana's Marbury Park, the Orange County Peace Center, the Panther Defense Committee and the Santa Ana Branch of the Black Panther Party co-sponsored a Panther Defense Drive. Joan Kelley, Assistant communications Secretary of the Southern California Chapter of the Black Panther Party, blew for Mike's case and on the need for community control of police, and organization to form a United Front Against Fascism.

Michael Lynem is not guilty of the murder of Santa Ana's Pig of the Year. He is not guilty of conspiracy to commit murder. The only thing he has done is attempt to fight racism with solidarity, capitalism with socialistic programs such as the Free Hot Breakfast for Children Program, and the Free Clinic, and the United Front against Fascism.

These ridiculous charges leveled against Michael are only a part of this racist, capitalistic, imperialistic government's conspiracy against the Black Panther Party, the vanguard of the revolutionary movement, and eventually against the masses of the people.

FREE MICHAEL!
FREE ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS!
ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE!



FASCISM IS:

Pigs running amuck in the Black Ghettos, beating, harassing, intimidating, insulting, and murdering. It becomes constitutional Fascism when Pig Chiefs and Commissioners go on radio and T.V. stations and mouth empty phrases about "Law and Order" and bombard the people with flexible statistics about "High Crime Areas" that are in reality the Black Ghettos.

Fascism is a lying demagogic politician who swears to the heavens that he is for "Law and Order" that does not serve the people and he is also for the people. Fascism is the bootlicking demagogic Black Politician that makes noises about "underpriviledged areas" that he knows are not "underpriviledged" but "over-exploited."

Fascism is the demagogue, black or white, who encourages race wars to solve class problems. Fascism is a politician who talks of "Civil Rights" in place of "Human Rights".

Fascism is the avaricious businessman who specializes in over-working, underpaying, and over-charging the working people. Fascism is the banks, trusts, and big monopolies that send well-armed fascist, racist pigs into Detroit, Harlem, Watts, Vietnam, and Puerto Rico to overkill and then makes long speeches about how they hate the rising Tide of Violence. Fascists are punks who hate violence against the Pigs and call it anarchy, or communism, or Fascism. But they call violence against the people "Law and Order".

FASCISM IS AMERICA
ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE!

Masai, Southern California Chapter

1969: RAMPANT FASCISM AT A GLANCE

S.F. - Fascist Pig O'Brien set free after murdering George Baskett an unarmed worker.

S.F. - Teenager Alvert Linthcome shot in cold blood by San Francisco fascist pigs. Murdered in his own community.

Berkeley - James Rector, student at U.C. shot down while watching so-called riot. Murdered by Alameda Shariff's deputy who is free to kill again.

Santa Rita, Alameda County - Persons who were arrested in Berkeley for participating in a so-called riot were sent to Alameda's concentration camp and put through gestapo orientation.

Santa Rita, Alameda County - A so-called mild mannered inmate died from undisclosed reasons after being subjected to the same inhuman treatment as the people arrested in Berkeley for rioting.

Los Angeles - Donald Lee Oughton shot by fascist L.A. pigs while on his way home to watch a T.V. program.

a week after young Oughton was killed. This young man was no notorious criminal nor had any background or record. Never-the-less he was shot down like a animal because he hesitated to come outside immediately when ordered to do so by the fascists.

Los Angeles - Lorenzo Clark, 14-year-old boy shot to death by L.A. County Sheriff deputy. He was suspected of trying to break into a grocery store.

Oakland - Professor Philip Caplan died after being beaten by Oakland's fascist vice squad in an Oakland park. He was suspected of being a homosexual.

The McClellan Committee had better get hip to the fact that the Black Panther Party is not going to sit around and watch the fascist american pigs fuck over the rest of humanity and do nothing about it. The Black Panther Party is organizing a United Front Against Fascism.

The people of America had better get hip and become a part of that United Front. Because if you don't oppose fascism, you must be a fascist. The Black Panther Party is in the vanguard role in forming a United Front, because it has witnessed and survived the most vicious blows ever leveled upon any group in the history of this decadent, fascist country.

Bigman





HARLEM PASTOR INTIMIDATED

"The power structure inflicts pain and brutality upon the people and then provides controlled outlets for the pain in ways least likely to upset them or interfere with the process of exploitation." Huey P. Newton.

On June 15th, Reverend Watts of Friendship Baptist Church, 144 131st Street was questioned by police because his church is where the Black Panther Party Harlem Branch serves Free Breakfast for Children every school morning. Black Panthers and volunteers from the Harlem community arrive at the church by 6:30 to be sure that every child who comes at 7:30 is served in time for school.

Reverend Watts, up until June 17th was very enthusiastic about Harlem's Free Breakfast Program. It was only because of pig harassment that Rev. Watts objected to our having a sign-in table in front of the church. On June 17th, when we attempted to put a poster announcing that breakfast was being served free, Rev. Watts said,"I don't want anything outside the church saying Black Panther Party on it!!" The reason for his statement, he went on, was because "police came into the church on Sunday, June 15th asking questions about the Free Breakfast Program." After saying that, Rev. Watts was very vague and didn't want to talk about it any more.

This can only be viewed as another instance of pig harassment. Any time a minister is questioned because his church is where Free Breakfast is served, it is an overt action taken by the pigs against the people of Harlem.

The Black Panther Party is here to serve the people. The free breakfast for children program is Harlem's Free Breakfast Program. It is part of the Black Panther Party's nationwide program, which is taking food from the avaricious businessmen and giving it back to the people. By September 1969, when school reopens, the Black Panther Party will start 1,000 Free Breakfast Programs cross-country.

In a desperate attempt to stop the Black Panther Party from serving Free Breakfast, arrests based on trumped-up charges, such as N.Y.'s 21 Panthers falsely accused of plotting to bomb department stores and railroad tracks are becoming more and more commonplace nationwide. The 21 brothers and sisters who are now in jail were serving the people. The N.Y. 21 are the victims of a conspiracy on the part of the fascist pig power structure. Filthy pigs like Rockefeller, Hughes, Hunt, Dupont, Vanderbilt and their mad dog flunkies such as Nixon, Agnew, Dirkson, Lindsay and those fascist pig cops Leary, Hogan, Phillips, and Marks are all striking out wildly and overtly as all reactionaries do when they are on the verge of destruction. Their piggish and fascist reaction to the Black Panther Party manifests itself by charging Black Panthers with everything from conspiracy to murder to robbing ice cream trucks. Their conspiracy against freedom fighters is also seen in Vietnam, where the Vietnamese people are being subjugated to the most brutal oppression that the world has ever seen.

As Huey said, "When the oppressor makes a vicious attack against freedom fighters because of the way that such freedom fighters choose to go about their liberation, then we know we are moving in the direction of our liberation."

The people must unite, rise up, and form a United Front Against Fascism. We must take the power out of the hands of these reactionaries, these racists, these avaricious businessmen, these fascist pigs and give it to the PEOPLE. Our success is inevitable because as Chairman Mao Tse Tung said, "The richest source of power to wage war lies in the masses of the people."

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE!

PANTHER POWER TO THE VANGUARD!
Beth Bragg

Milwaukee Breakfast

The Milwaukee Chapter of the Black Panther Party has initiated its first Breakfast Program. Presently we are feeding 150 to 200 children daily. The punk racist, fascist pig preacher, Rev. Ellwanger of Cross Luthern Church, renigged at the last minute. Thinking this would stop the program, the punk ran down some hypocritical line to the pig media, about not allowing his church to be used by anyone advocating the violent overthrow of this capitalistic, racist, imperialistic, fascist country. Never-the-less, the program started in the home of one of our brothers. We are making arrangements for the next site. The local newsletter has dealt with the matter and the people are becoming aware of the situation and we are dealing, right on. From the greedy to the needy.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE
Information Staff
Milwaukee Chapter
Black Panther Party



Breakfast for Children Peekskill: N.Y.

June 21, 1969

Peekskill Branch of the Black Panther Party on June 16th sponsored a Free Breakfast for the Children. It was served in Peekskill at Aunt Bessie's Open Door. Fifty children were served eggs, bacon, sausage, toast, milk, orange juice and vitamins. They were given Free the Panthers buttons along with revolutionary posters; Free Huey, In Revolution one lives and one dies, and Off the Pig. Speaker at the Breakfast was Eddy (Omar) Bolton, Lt. of Education of Peekskill Branch, he spoke about if it wasn't for Huey, there would not be a Breakfast for Children and how the fascist pig power structure is trying to destroy the Party because the Black Panther is acting in the wishes and desires of the oppressed people. There were also several mothers from the community who helped cook and serve breakfast. Breakfast will be served for at least 3 weeks and then we will move into breakfast, lunch and liberation school for the summer.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE
FREE HUEY
FREE THE N.Y. 21
FREE ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS
Lt. of Information, Glendora (Ife) Massey
Peekskill, N. Y. Branch
Black Panther Party

WHITE PLAINS BREAKFAST

to the people of the community.
white plains bpp

How many children of our community have to go to school on empty stomachs? How can our children even begin to acquire even basic skills in school on an empty stomach? If we take an empty stomach and add a totally inadequate lunch, what do we have?

Let us work together and send our children to school full of hot food and energy. If the schools and the Board of Education won't do it, we will.

The White Plains Branch of the Black Panther Party would like to work with the community in instituting a Free Breakfast Program for our children. There are many ways we can work together. A church or community center is needed to provide the facilities for preparing and serving the breakfasts. Businesses in the community are being asked to DONATE the necessary food and utensils. The equivalent of 2¢ worth of food per dollar taken in, of the people's choice, would be collected from the merchants. In this manner, a part of the money which is taken out of the community and spent elsewhere, can be put to good use in the community. The mothers, grandmothers, and guardians of the children of the community are asked to volunteer just a couple of morning hours to this project. Join with us in feeding our children!

In this way the Panthers intend not only to meet the most basic needs and desires of the Black Community, but also to erase the negative impression that has been dropped on the party by the racist-owned and oriented news media. To link oneself with the masses, one must act in accordance with the needs and desires of the masses. This is a part of the main goal and function of the Black Panther Party.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE
BLACK POWER TO BLACK PEOPLE
PANTHER POWER TO THE VANGUARD

PUNK POWER IN ACTION

On May 29, 1969, the Milwaukee Pig Department sent out four of their finest to harass a 13-year old girl. Karen Stewart of 2125 North Palmer was looking out for her younger brothers and sisters for a few minutes until her mother returned. The children were playing in the yard when the incident occurred. This is the way Karen related the incident:

"At about 4:20 in the evening, my brothers and sisters were playing in our yard, when some white kids began throwing rocks at my dog. My brother told them to stop. The white boys went and got their mother. Their mother came into the alley and started swearing at all of us. I got all the kids together, 9 including me, and went into the house.

"The police came and I wouldn't let them in, so they kicked the door down. Two of them came into the house and called me a funky cunt and grabbed me and twisted my arm. I had to go to the hospital. Both of them threatened me and called me nasty names. They claimed I called them nasty names. I didn't".

In June, Karen had to go to the Children Center on a disorderly conduct charge. Karen left Doctor's Hospital with bruises on her arms and back and a split lip.

If anyone should be charged with disorderly conduct, it should be the pigs.

There are still questions to be answered, such as:

1) Why the pigs felt it was their duty to kick down the door?

2) Why they dragged a 13 year old girl from her home and left 9 small children?

3) Why the pigs did not bring all party's together to see what the problem was?

We do have the answers: anytime it takes 2 pigs to drag a young girl away they must be punks. We cannot - must not - allow the pigs to come into our communities and harass and misuse our people.

The Black Panther Party see's this as a clear violation of point 7 of the TEN POINT PLATFORM (7) "We want an immediate end to police brutality and murder of Black people."

The punk pig force had better learn how to deal with their duties or THEY will be dealt with!



Long Live Deputy Chairman Fred

Deputy Chairman Fred Hampton of the Illinois Chapter of the Black Panther Party is still in jail on the false charge of robbing an ice cream truck of $71 worth of ice cream. In reality, Deputy Chairman FRED HAMPTON is in jail because he believes in "armed revolution". ARMED REVOLUTION simply means that in order for the people to have the power which so rightfully belongs to them, it is necessary to take up the gun. The pig power structure and their running dogs use guns to oppress the people and keep the masses from seizing the power to determine their destiny. This is evident in their brutality, harassment and murder of the oppressed masses. Deputy Chairman Fred Hampton understood that "POLITICAL POWER GROWS OUT OF THE BARrel of a gun", and "IN ORDER TO GET RID OF THE GUN, IT IS NECESSARY TO TAKE UP THE GUN."

On June 3, 1969, Chairman Fred was moved from Joliet Diagnostic Center at Statesville Prison to Menard State Prison, 365 miles outside of Chicago. His lawyers and parents were not notified of this move until June 13th. (In the Diagnostic Centers, different experiments are run on the inmates. They are treated like human guinea pigs.)

Thursday, June 19, Deputy Chairman Fred faced an indictment charge of aggravated kidnapping, assault and battery. His bond was reduced from the absurd $100,000 to a ridiculous sum of $30,000. The capitalist ruling class has still denied Fred an appeal bond for the frame-up of the ice-cream robbery. The same ruling class called the cold- blooded murder of Manuel Ramos as justifiable homicide. The same ruling class allowed the pigs who beat Charles Cox to death in the Fillmore pig station to go scot-free.

Serving the people has cost Deputy Chairman Fred his freedom. Revolutionaries like Chairman Fred are willing to die for the people in the revolutionary struggle.

We must not pin our hopes on the "sensibleness" of these fascists and their lackeys. We will only triumph by strengthening our unity and persevering in our struggle.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE
FREE ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS
LONG LIVE CHAIRMAN FRED

FROM A YOUNG SISTER IN THE COMMUNITY

Fred should be a free man because he and his group are doing the right thing and that is to save the lives of the people that live in this community and to give food to the poor people.

We wish to get Huey and Fred out of jail. We Black People want all People to be free just like the white people in our community, so we wish to be free just like others in this world. Now you know our story about the Black Panther Party and my last word is

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE
Yeovil Yates, Age 9



THIS NIGGER STILL AT LARGE

Pig Gene Robins is alive and pinking in New York. Sharon Williams, one of the New York 21 reported that she saw him when she went to the New York District Attorney's office to try to get some of her personal property back which the pigs stole when they busted the 21. Gene Robins is the black fascist pig that the demagogic politician and avaricious businessman used to infiltrate the Panther Party and set the frame of the New York 21.

Pig Robins is being accorded the same priviledges as Larry Powell. He was in the company of two body guards.

In order to be able to survive the rising tide of fascism in America it is necessary for the people to recognize fascism for exactly what it is and the tools that it uses. Gene Robins is a tool of the fascist ruling class.



Panther Struck Down In Milwaukee

During the Black Panther rally Saturday at about 8:15, Nate Bellamy, Lt. of Information, left to find a drugstore. Before he could complete the mission an unmarked squad car roared through an intersection, knocking his car out of control and into a billboard. The pig car blew up, unfortunately, after they got out.

Witnesses state there was no siren or light going on the squad car. Nate now lies in County General Hospital with a broken leg and head injuries. Contradictory statements have been released to the newspapers by the pigs. First it was reported that the pigs weren't sure if the siren or light was on or not. A later news article stated both the light and siren were going. We know, and witnesses state, that this is a lie. During Nate's first day of hospitalization, although he was in some pain and his left leg was in a tract, the pigs felt he needed two guards and handcuffs on his right leg. FBI agents have been bothering him since he entered the hospital, seeking information about the Party. This continued harassment must stop. Within three days the pigs have gotten together and distorted the whole story. Even with evidence pointing to the pigs as being guilty, Nate is being charged with carrying a concealed weapon, failure to yield, and reckless driving. However, let it be clear to everyone concerned that this brother will not be used by the pigs to take the blame from the pigs.

NOTE: Nate is responsible for getting newsletters and other information to you. He will be writing to you. He will be writing to you from his hospital bed. The newsletter is for all the people but this week a special dedication to our Lt. of Information, Nate Bellamy.

Space does not permit but we would like to relate, on June 5, the pigs attempted to vamp on the PEOPLES BUILDING. They waited until most of the Panthers had left then approached the door with some old lame excuse about a complaint. They must be thinkin' we's some fools up in that building. When they saw they weren't about to get into the PEOPLES BUILDING, They started roundin' up the boys. By this time the Panthers were back and ready to deal. The people from the community were also out and ready to deal. Wasn't nobody shucking but the pig.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE!
PANTHER POWER TO THE VANGUARD!
Punk Power to the Pig

CHARGES DROPPED AGAINST ILLz. 8.
PIGS REFUSE TO RETURN SUPPLIES

Charges were dropped against six of the eight Panthers who were arrested June 4, when FBI agents, Federal Marshalls, and local pigs illegally entered the Illinois Chapter's office.

The six went before the U.S. Commissioner June 20, facing the federal charge of harboring a fugitive. The charge was dropped when attornies for the federal government asked for 10 more days to prepare its case. This is the usual trick the pigs play when they can't find a pig to pay to testify, can't manufacture evidence to make illegal charges hold up in court. Their motion was denied when Kermit Coleman, attorney for the Panthers declared that he was ready.

After the charges were dropped, Kermit Coleman presented a petition to recover th supplies, money, and equipment stolen by the federal pigs. The pig judge declared that he didn't have the jurisdiction to order the federal government to return the goods it stole. However, he is a U.S. Commissioner and has jurisdiction to see Federal Cases; this seems like the typical harassment the Party receives in the courts. The pigs committed an illegal act against the Party and the fool courts are unwilling and unable to force the same pigs to return the money, essays, petitions, and equipment stolen and replace the supplies, furniture, and food destroyed. The fascist government has the power to order pig wrecking crews to destroy the office but the same government doesn't have the power to order the pigs to fix what they destroyed. When the government is unable to correct its wrongs, resolve its struggles, and restrain its officers, then that government should be abolished and a new one instituted to insure that the people will not become victims of violent FASCISM.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE
REVOLUTIONARY PANTHER POWER TO THE VANGUARD
OPPOSE FASCISM WITH A UNITED FRONT!

P.S. Charges against the other two, Harvey Holt and Patrick Keen were later dropped.

L.A. FRIENDS OF PANTHERS

PRESS RELEASE - June 18, 1969

The latest incident in the current wave of flagrant, repressive attacks by the pig power structure in America occurred on June 17, 1969, shortly before midnight.

Approximately ten sheriff's deputies and FBI agents, armed with rifles and shotguns, forceably entered the apartment of Joanne Gilbert, a young woman who is an active member of the Friends of the Panthers, and who lives alone and was alone at the time.

Once again the pigs have demonstrated their Fascistic tactics in this blatant midnight raid, aimed at anyone and everyone who is involved in serving the needs of the people.

The implications of the repressive design and nature of this action are brought into clear focus by the awareness of the fact that Miss Gilbert has been helping in the John Huggins Memorial Hot Breakfast for Children, a national program sponsored by the Black Panther Party. Even the power structure cannot openly attack a program, which feeds hungry children, whomever the provider be.

Thus, the alternative is to intimidate, in the best Police-State fashion, the people who are active in this program, employing what must be deemed classic Fascist tactics.

Last Tuesday night, armed officials surrounded Miss Gilbert's building, while others forced her neighbors back into their apartments threatening them with, "we will blow your heads off," if they did not comply. Then the officers proceeded, in their Gestapo-like fashion barge into the single woman's home, terrorizing her, and pushing her against the wall while they searched her apartment without any semblance of legality.

In a vain attempt to justify their violent, oppressive actions, they told Miss Gilbert that an anonymous person had given them a "tip" that two members of the Black Panther Party, suspected of murdering a Santa Ana Policeman were taking refuge in her home.

The pig power structure has designed a long range program, directed at crushing all efforts on the part of the people to organize in their struggle against a Fascistic Police State; But we will not be stopped! On July 18, 19, 20 and 21, poor people, oppressed people, and all people who are committed to the transferring of power from the hands of a few to the masses of people, where it rightfully belongs, will join together in Oakland, at Merritt College, to form a UNITED FRONT AGAINST FASCISM.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE
Ron Warren
L A Friends of the Panthers



"PROWL CAR 39 THINKS HE JUST SEEN A SUSPECTED BLACK PANTHER CARRYIN' WHAT HE IMAGINES COULD BE A CONCEALED LETHAL WEAPON!"

FBI PIG INTIMIDATION

White Plains, April 23, 1969.

I was leaving my job at 4:45 pm. on Wednesday, April 23, 1969... after getting into my car, I was approached by two oinking pig FBI agents (Gordon and Flynn) who showed me their identification and got into my car.

The pigs oinked to me about my rights (of which, I knew my legal first aid.) I related to the pigs that I knew my rights. Pig Flynn wanted to know about my affiliation with the Black Panther Party. I told the pig that I was a member of the Black Panther Party and that we had a Ten Point Program and Platform that related to the desires and needs of all Black Communities. At this point the pigs began to oink. I took a Ten Point Program and Platform out of my folder and gave it to Pig Gordon.

Meanwhile, Pig Flynn wanted to know if I believed in VIOLENCE! Can you relate to that coming from a pig? I told the pig that I abhor violence (right on). The pigs wanted to know about my recent purchase of a rifle...so I told the pigs that a citizen has a legal right to have a legal weapon in his home. The pigs continued to oink - real funky like. Dig it! They couldn't relate to the "so-called" U.S. Constitution. The pigs proceeded to oink further...they oinked about my being a community leader and that I should look into such programs as the NAACP! Dig that, the NAACP. I told the pigs that the NAACP did not relate to the immediate desires and needs of our Black Communities.

They asked a lot of irrelevantsh shit about the Party...Dig it..at this point I remained silent. The Federal Pig Bureau of Investigation that is run by "Queen" Hoover is trying to intimidate and frighten the brothers and sisters here in White Plains - as they are trying to do acros the nation. The repressive arm of the power structure becomes quite clear!!!

"Historically, all reactionary forces on the verge of extinction invariably conduct a last desperate struggle against the revolutionary forces, and some revolutionaries are apt to be deluded for a time by this phenomenon of outward strength but inner weakness, failing to grasp the essential fact that the enemy is nearing extinction while they themselves are approaching victory." P. 83, The Little Red Book.

Ed Balogum Hu l, Acting Defense Captain
White Plains Branch
Black Panther Party

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PANTHER POWER TO THE VANGUARD

PIG QUITS AFTER SHOOTING MISTAKE

Tooele, Utah

A policeman who fired two volleys from a riot gun through the bedroom window of a home resigned yesterday in the face of a hearing.

City officials said the resignation of Patrolman Ted Palitz, an 11 year veteran of the Tooele force, would rule out a hearing scheduled following his suspension last Sunday.

The incident began when Tooele police received a report of a sniper firing at moving automobiles along the town's main street.

Police were dispatched and traded shots with a man they sighted on the northeast side of town. More officers were called in and a chase led officers to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Parson.

It was after midnight when the police thought they saw their suspect duck into a darkened entryway of the Parson's home. Officers quickly surrounded the residence, certain they had their man trapped. Palitz opened fire with his shotgun.

Parson, unaware of what was taking place outside his home, got out of bed and went to the bedroom window . Again another shot was fired, this time striking Parson on his right shoulder and sending splintered glass into his cheeks.

"I first woke up when they fired into the cornice of the house", Parsons said. "So I just stood up to see what the devil was going on. They saw me and fired away".

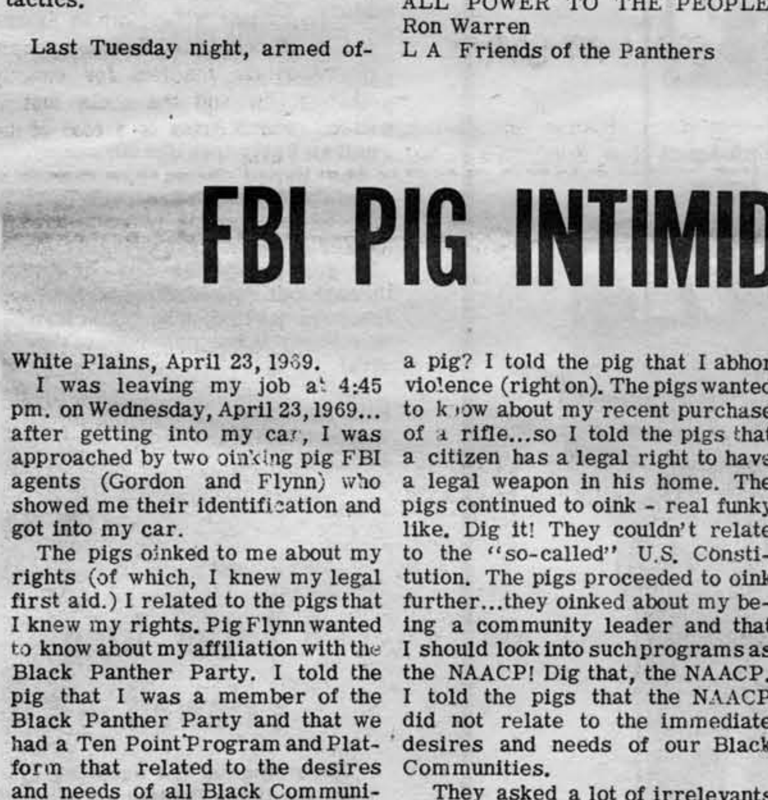
Parson was not seriously injured.

"The thing that stunned me", he said, "was the wadding of the shotgun shell. It hit me in the forehead and the shoulder and my eye was bruised by something. I kind of spun around and went down on my hands and knees."

Parson's wife and two children were not injured.

Police apologized and promptly suspended Palitz.

The sniper has not been located.



The War on Poverty, A Demogogic(Lying) Weapon Against the People

The War on Poverty is supposed to be a program to help the people. As long as the lying (demagogic) poverty program just gives the people a few crumbs, everything is cool. But as soon as a few concerned people start to try to work in these programs to get political power for the people, they get attacked. In California we have just seen a good example of this fascism in action.

The grape pickers in the San Joaquin Valley have been on strike against the big agricultural businessmen for almost four years now. They are demanding a living wage and they are demanding their right to organize into a trade union that the big landowners would have to recognize and deal with.

When the Office of Economic Opportunity (OEO) gave a little support to the grape strikers in the form of a favorable article toward the strikers in the paper, Reagan immediately sent his boys to deal with the situation. The government will not allow the War on Poverty Programs really serve the people. Because they don't want the people to learn how the government, the big businessmen and the pigs walk all over them. So, fascist, Mickey Mouse Ronald Reagan had his boys say, "We are just not going to tolerate the use of public funds for any labor organizing and political activity." What Reagan is saying is that either this poverty program had better straighten up and fly right or they can count on losing the money.

The Poverty Programs are a tool of the fascists to fool the people with a few pennies and a lot of lies. But we are not fooled that easily. And we know that even if a few people in the programs should try to take a step towards satisfying the basic needs of the people, the government stops them. So, in the end, they are only a demagogic trick to deceive us.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE!
Bert

LETTER FROM S.D.S. LEADERSHIP

Monday, June 23, 1969
Dear Sisters and Brothers:

By now the news of the Chicago convention has probably reached most of you. This letter is to let you know that despite any news you may hear to the contrary, SDS still lives and the national office is functioning as usual. New national officers have been elected and a program of mass action through the summer and fall has been planned. The national officers are;National Secretary, Mark Rudd, New York; Inter - organizational Secretary, Jeff Jones, San Francisco; Educational Secretary, Bill Ayers, Detroit. NIC members are: Mike Klonsky; Bernardine Dohrn; Bob Avakian, San Francisco; Noel Ignatin, Chicago; Howie Mchtinger, Chicago; Barbara Riley, New York; Linda Evans, Detroit; Corky Benedict, Cleveland.

There is one important thing that has changed. The Progressive Labor Party faction (PLP) has been kicked out of SDS To understand why, you must go back a few months to the National Council meetings at Ann Arbor and Austin qhere the transformation of SDS into a truly revolutionary youth organization began to take place. At these NC's the membership began to lay out principles of struggle and unity for the first time. We made it very clear to everyone that SDS both in theory and practice has allied itself with the struggles of oppressed peoples throughout the world. On campuses throughout the country, an anti-imperialist movement has been built in support of the struggles for self-determination being carried on by the Viet namese led by the National Liberation Front as well as the struggles of the colonially oppressed black people of America. Our program saw the need to win the masses of Americans to the anti-imperialist movement if a revolution was to be built within the mother country of America.

While SDS tried to go to the people and win support for the Vietnamese, the Black Panther Party, the movement of workers in the factories and shops through out this country as well as the struggle of GI's and young people around the world, PL's practice ran completely counter to these principles. As the power structure waged a vicious attack on the Panthers, so did PL, printing lies and slander, going so far as to call the Black Panther Party "racists in reverse", the same line that the power structure along with such labor sell-outs as Walter Reuther have.

While SDS was trying to win the masses of working people to support of the Vietnamese fight for self-determination and attempting to rebuild a militant movement against the war, PL was leading an attack on the NLF, accusing it of "selling-out" the struggle. Ho Chi Minh, the hero of the Vietnamese struggle for forty years was called "traitor" in the pages of PL magazine.

At a time when SDS was telling people of the birth of socialism in Cuba and the liberation of the Cuban people against overwhelming odds and attempting to cut through all the anti-communist lies about Cuba and other socialist countries. PL saw that the main enemy was "Cuban revisionism" and fought those struggles, viciously attacking Fidel and Che.

The question SDS was faced with at the Chicago convention was, how can you talk to people about fighting white supremacy when a part of your organization is objectively racist? How can you support the black liberation struggle when a section of your organization is objectively trying to destroy the leadership of that movement? How can you win the masses of people in this country to support the right of self-determination of oppressed nations when a part of your organization doesn't uphold that right? As Panther Deputy Minister of Defense Bobby Rush said on the convention floor, "We will judge SDS by the company it keeps."

In the past, SDS has upheld the principles of waging attack on white supremacy by kicking out the racist "SDS Labor Committee" for their support of the racist teacher's strike in New York. This was not a matter of political suppression or the "right of free speech" as PL would like to make us believe. What it does mean is that SDS is upping the ante. As the risks run higher, all of us are being forced to make a choice. We cannot defeat white supremacy, anti - communism, anti-working class chauvinism or make supremacy with liberalism, allowing these tendencies to exist alongside of revolutionary struggle like a parasite on the people, draining our life blood and energy, holding back every struggle that is fought on the campuses or in the community. PL's attacks on the people struggling for comunity control of the institutions in the black and brown communities for open admissions to the universities makes SDS's previously adopted principles a lie and a farce.

By its unprincipled actions, PL has excluded itself from the struggle and has chosen to ally itself with the class which runs this country.

This split will create many problems. Anti-communists may interpret this split wrongly. We must be clear that we will never tolerate anti-communism in our movement. It will not be easy to stay on our feet. We must have support. We are asking chapters to respond in a revolutionary way. We have faith in our movement to withstand attack from the outside as well as from the inside.

Our next task is to build major actions in the fall against the War in Vietnam and in support of the black liberation struggle. We are calling for people to come to Chicago in September, at the time of the conspiracy trial of the Chicago 8 and force the power structure to bring the war home. We are going to spend the summer and fall months going to the people where they work and live and win them to this program. We welcome anyone who will join us. But we will not be turned around.

POWER TO THE PEOPLE!

Mark Rudd, National Secretary
Jeff Jones, Inter-Organizational Secretary
Bill Ayers, Educational Secretary
Michael Klonsky, NIC member
Bernardine Dohrn, NIC member

LETTER TO THE PARTY

June 16, 1969
MINISTRY OF INFORMATION/
BLACK PANTHER PARTY

The following comments are addressed to brothers and sisters of the Black Panther Party:

Bogged down in this ultra-backward place for all of my life, I finally got to go to the Bay Area for the first time in 1968 (at which time,I was a supporter of Bobby Kennedy). Never before had I seen one of the many dispersed areas (a ghetto) which make up the black colony in this country. Never before had I heard of Huey P. Newton and the Black Panthers, nor did I (like so many other brainwashed fools) think much of the rhetoric espoused by various "New Left" organizations at that time. While in the Bay Area, I got to attend several rallies where Kathleen & Eldridge Cleaver, Bobby Seale, Stokely Carmichael (etc.) were the featured speakers. Reading the literature and newspaper of the Black Panther Party, and understand the basic program (also, talking to certain other white radical people in the area), I readily identified with the message and truth put forth to the people by the Black Panther Party spokesmen about the black people's liberation struggle against this racist, oppressive American system. I would like to thank the Black Panther Party for having spoken so bluntly about the true nature of this society (which opened my eyes to a lot of bullshit that I had long accepted as undeniable fact).

Specifically, I want to thank two of your most articulate spokesmen-- Eldridge Cleaver and Huey Newton-- for clearing up a lot of things in my mind through their very fundamental analyses (i.e., how to deal with the oppressor, the international character of the black liberation struggle, the role of white radicals, etc.). Cleaver's two books, records, and an assortment of articles; Newton's pamphlets and articles; Carmichael's book; Malcolm's books; the Black Panther newspaper; the speeches of Lauren Watson (from the Denver Chapter of the Black Panther Party): and, most of all, the actions and determination of the Black Panther Party, have all helped me to thoroughly understand and to align myself with your struggle and with your role in meeting the basic, urgent needs and desires of the oppressed black masses.

Again, I extend many thanks to the Black Panther Party-- especially Cleaver and Newton-- for having challenged my reality (which, initially, was a "liberal-paternalistic-nonviolent" thing), and for waking me up to so much. You're all beautiful...

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Don Collier/1312 West Kiowa
Colorado Springs,Colorado 80904



TO MY BLACK BROTHERS

I would like to congragulate the editors and people responsible for putting this paper out. Everyone but the Uncle Toms (Negros) know that American newspapers print all kinds of propaganda and bullshit which tries to make the Panther Party look like our enemy.

The United States government (Nazis in disguise) are trying their best to exterminate black people, calling on their hired assasins who use gestapo tactics and march through our communities in storm troopers fashion. The Black Panther Party is our only hope of survival.

END FASCISM
Wayne D Harris
Brooklyn, N.Y.

NOTE TO THE PIG

YOU are the agents for the power structure
YOU are the flunkies for the fat ass businessmen.
You are not here to "serve and protect" the masses of the people.
YOU are here to protect racism-capitalism-and-imperialism.
YOU are used by rich pigs to take the blame for conditions in this country off of them.
The pig power structure will not and cannot protect YOU!!!
YOU will be the direct target of the people
THE WRATH OF THE PEOPLE WILL DESCEND UPON YOU.
ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE!
PANTHER POWER TO THE VANGUARD.

A Letter from Hawaii

According to the enclosed article the Black Panthers steal and extort the funds they use for their breakfast for school children program. Added to this, according to the PIG press, the real reason the Panthers set up the program is solely to teach the children to kill whites.

This sort of deliberate lie is still another example of how America can be compared to Nazy Germany during WW II. In America, however, instead of the Jews, the Black Panther Party is the scapegoat for the decadence of the establishment as the Nazis organized a well-planned program to kill all the Jews. Today the white racist establishment in America is involved in a planned program to destroy completely the Black Panther Party because it knows that the Panther Party has gained more support in the oppressed classes in the struggle for freedom than any other group in this country.

This writer, isolated from the mainstream of the news by the white racist news media which nearly controls the island of Hawaii, wishes to reassure the Black Panther Party that she sees through the despicable lies about the Panthers that is being pushed by the oppressors here and that such blatant racism is received with an ever stronger dedication to the fight against white racism and realize the success of the Black Panthers' ideal.

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BLACK POWER TO BLACK PEOPLE.

AVARICIOUS BUSINESSMEN

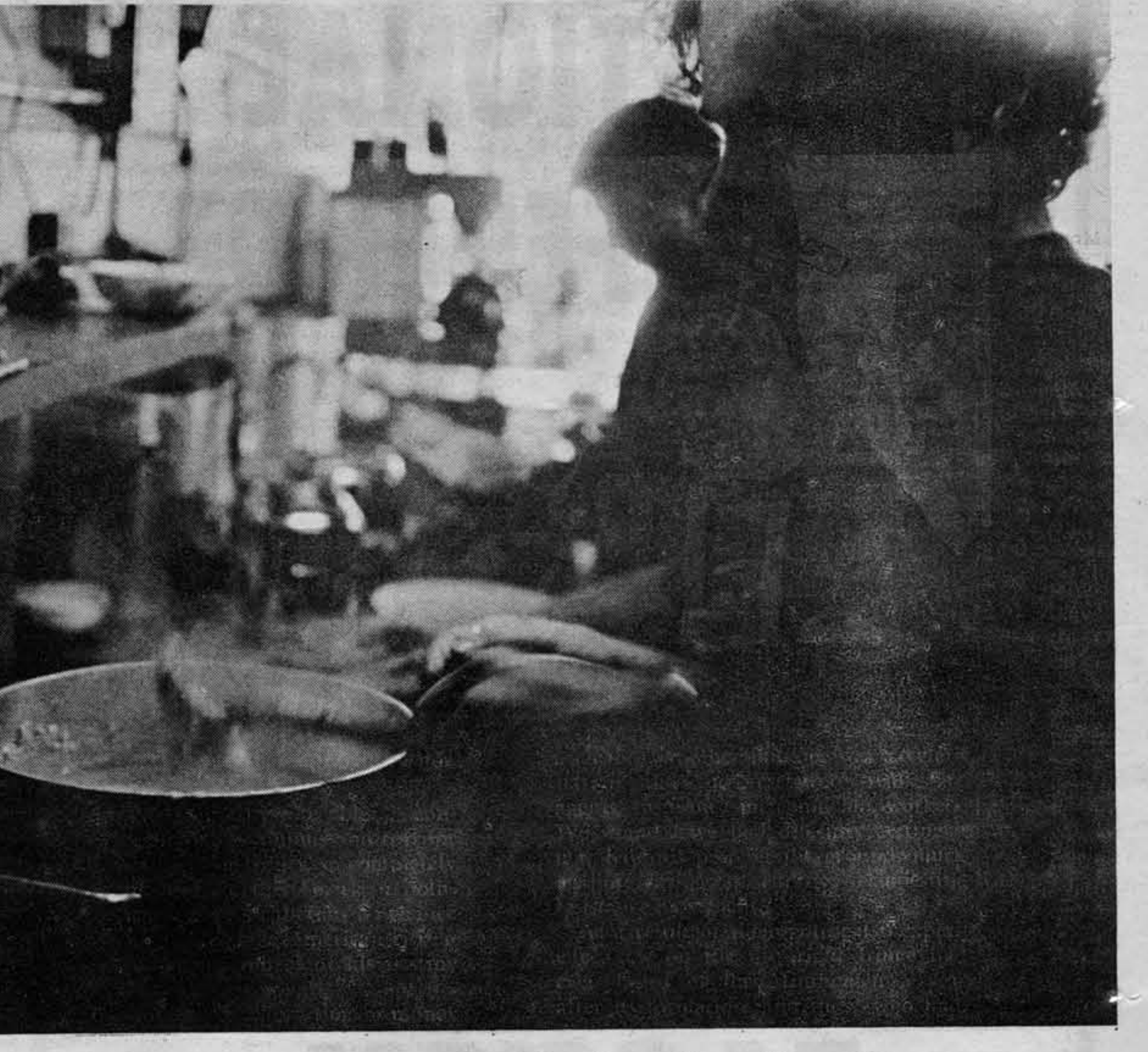
The Black Panther Party Platform states in Point #3, "We want an end to the robbery of our community by the capitalist businessmen.

On May 20th, after serving at the Free Breakfast Program, Brother Ray and I approached the wholesale distributors on 12th Ave. about the donations of food so that all of the children would be sure to get all of the hot food that they wanted before going to school. Since it was early morning, huge trucks were being loaded and packed full of all sorts of meat -- beef, pork, poultry and lamb. Large quantities of this meat are distributed to stores all over Harlem every morning.

Some of the wholesale distributors that were approached agreed to give small donations to the program on a weekly basis. Those were General Meat, Kupferberger, Ace Packing, and Pollack Bologna. One avaricious businessman, surrounded by tons of whole beef franks, oinked at us "Get the hell out of here. You niggers just want to cause trouble. I lost $12,000 in the riots and you still want more?"

Al Salmon, another avaricious businessman said, "To hell with the children. Get the hell out of here!" These men and all of the other businessmen who have refused to give to the free breakfast program are reactionaries. They are against the people, have set up bases for exploitation in our community, and continue to rob and steal from the people. They are fascists. As Chairman Mao Tse Tung said (p. 72 of the Red Book), "All reactionaries are paper tigers." In appearance, the reactionaries are terrifying, but in reality they are are not so powerful. From a long-term point of view, it is not the reactionaries but the people who are really powerful."

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE!
Beth Bragg



La Raza and the people's Breakfast Program Prepare a Hot Meal for the Youngsters.

Assembly Approves School Milk Breaks

"assembly approves school milk breaks"

When we analyze Assemblywoman March K. Fong's (democrat, Oakland) "Milk Breaks" bill, it is obvious that the breakfast for children bill failed, so she had to compromise our children's stomachs and settle for a promised milk break. which still has to be passed on by the senate. It is clear to see that the appointed legislatures, are not serving the needs of the people. The Black Panther Party Breakfast for Children Program will continue to serve our children's needs, and since the elected representatives of the people of this state refuse to serve hungry children, we call upon all people to send donations, so that we may further expand our Breakfast Program. Help us stamp out hunger. Information at Black Panther Party.



BREAKFAST IN S.F. MISSION DISTRICT

Two breakfast programs were begun in the Mission in San Francisco this June. The People's Breakfast Program and La Raza, two radical groups in this community, intend to feed children in the mornings until the needs of the community are met. When the first program opened, 23 children attended, then 58, then 64. At the next center, which opened one week later, 55 came the first day; 100 three days later.

One program is in St. Peters Church at 24th and Alabama and the other at the Peace and Freedom Cabaret, 260 Valencia. We plan to open more, as more people start working on the program. Mothers and fathers whose children attend have come to serve and cook and talk with the kids. So far we've gone with the kids to the park, the beach and the zoo after breakfasts.

We take children with us when we go to get donations of food, or we go in large groups and stare down the owners who refuse to relate to us.

Safeway gave us $3.00 and told us not to come back. Luchetti Meats has made a commitment to supply about 1/3 the meat needs for the program on a continuing basis and has been very cooperative. Businesses are either uptight fascists who milk the community and return nothing, or liberal people who want to do something.

Community kids who go along to get donations learn first hand the objectives of the program. They see businesses being pressured to give back some of the profits they took away from the people.

For information come to either of the two programs at 8:00a.m. weekdays.

Donations can be sent to La Raza or People's Breakfast Program, 260 Valencia, San Francisco.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE!
FREE ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS!
CONTINUE THE REVOLUTION!

BREAKFAST FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

The free breakfast for school children has practically covered the country in every chapter and branch of the Black Panther Party. This program was created because the Black Panther Party understands that our children need a nourishing breakfast every morning so that they can learn.

The White Plains Branch of the Black Panther Party is appealing to everyone in and around the vicinity of White Plains, to people who live and work in the city's Black Communities, and to all businessmen, merchants, and grocers who draw profits from the Black Communities of White Plains, to work with us to satisfy the pressing needs of Black People by donating some of your resources to the free breakfast for school children program. If the breakfast is to succeed, we must have donations of all kinds.

We need sisters and mothers who wil donate their time to help prepare food and serve the children.

We need unlimited donations of foods which can be stored, such as, cereal, grits, sugar, cocoa, salt, pepper, jelly and cooking oil.

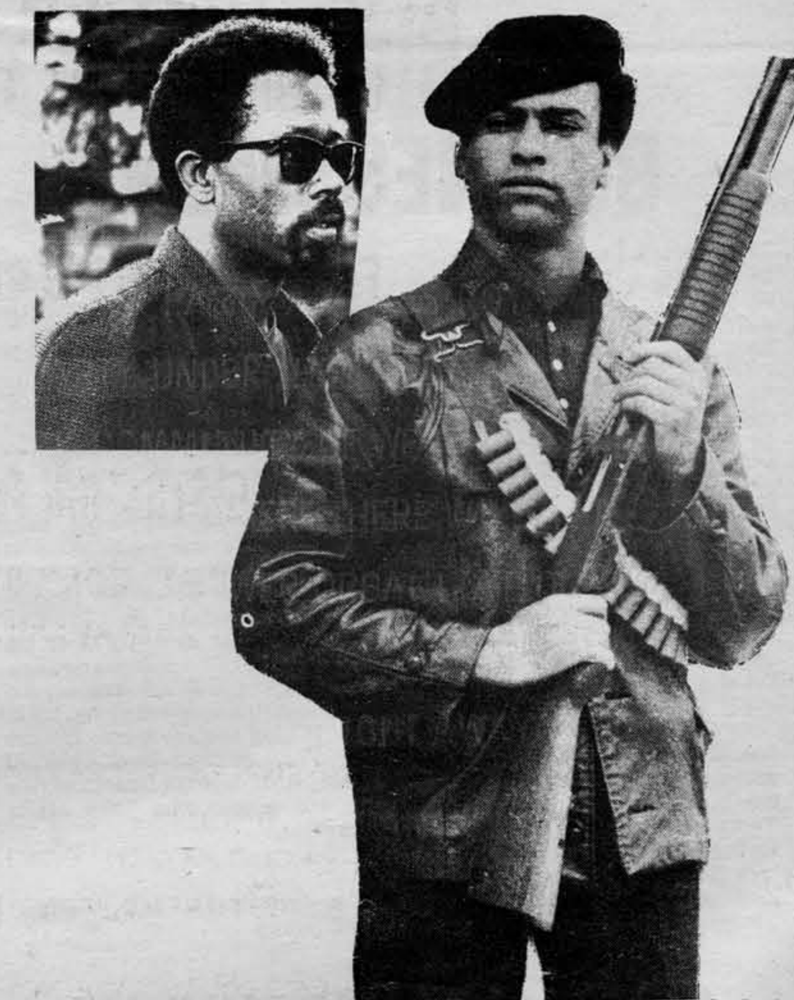
We need daily and weekly donations of perishable foods such as eggs, milk, oranges, bacon, sausage, chopped ham, butter, donuts, and bread.

We need donations of cooking utensils, pots, pans, pot-holders, paper plates, cups, plastic forks, paper towels, scouring pads, and kitchen cleansers.

We need cash donations, unselfish donations of money, to buy food and utensils with which to serve the children and serve the people.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE





NATIONAL CONFERENCE

FOR A

UNITED FRONT AGAINST FASCISM

OAKLAND CALIFORNIA

JULY 18, 19, 20,





FASCISM THE POWER OF FINANCE CAPITAL ITSELF

THIS CONFERENCE FOR A UNITED FRONT AGAINST FASCISM IS CALLED BY THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY.

THE FREEDOM OF ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS AND POLITICAL FREEDOM FOR ALL PROLETARIAN TYPE ORGANIZATIONS, THE FREEDOM AND POLITICAL WORK OF ALL STUDENTS, FARMERS, WORKERS, AND THE LUMPEN MUST BE DEVELOPED INTO A NATIONAL FORCE, A FRONT WHICH ANSWERS THE BASIC DESIRES AND NEEDS OF ALL PEOPLE IN FASCIST, CAPITALISTIC, RACIST AMERICA. PRIMARY OBJECTIVE WILL BE COMMUNITY CONTROL OF POLICE TO END FASCISM.

IN OAKLAND CALIFORNIA, JULY 18, 19, 20 & 21st REPRESENTATIVES FROM AROUND THE COUNTIES OF ALL ORGANIZATIONS REPRESENTING THE PEOPLE, SOME 5,000 OR MORE REPRESENTATIVES WILL DEVELOP A UNITED FRONT AGAINST FASCISM. HEADQUARTERS BLACK PANTHER PARTY OFFICE, 3106 SHATTUCK AVE., BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA, 845-0103 OR 845-0104.

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OFFICIAL **REGISTRATION FORM** B.P.P. AND I.L.S. READ THOROUGHLY

NATIONAL CONFERENCE FOR A UNITED FRONT AGAINST FASCISM IN AMERICA

OAKLAND, CALIF. JULY 18TH, 19TH, 20TH.
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✚ DONATION REGISTRATION FEES TO ATTEND CONFERENCE

- ADVANCE REGISTRATION POSTMARK MIDNIGHT SAT. JULY 12TH.................$4.00 DOLLARS
- REGISTRATION FEE AFTER 12 A.M., SAT., JULY 12TH — — — — — $6.00 DOLLARS

✚ UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTIFIED OF CHANGE

- CHECK IN CENTER IS THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS 3106 SHATTUCK AVENUE, BERKELEY, CALIF. 94705 PH. (415) 845 0103, 845 0104
- CHECK IN TIME STARTS JULY 17TH, THURSDAY, 9:00A.M. THROUGH FRIDAY, 5:00P.M. CONFERENCE STARTS FRIDAY EVENING, JULY 18TH AT 7:00 P.M. SHARP.
- WE SUGGEST TO ALL PEOPLE. REPRESENTATIVES AND PARTIES OF ORGANIZATIONS TO TRY AND ARRIVE EARLY AS POSSIBLE, STARTING THRUSDAY MORNING JULY 17TH 9:00A.M. SO ALL PEOPLE CAN BE PROPERLY ASSISTED IN GETTING HOUSING, AND OTHER NECESSARY INFORMATION THAT MANY THOUSANDS WILL NEED TO KNOW FOR THE DURATION OF THE CONFERENCE.

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Black Panther Party Platform and Program

What We Want What We Believe



FREE HUEY

Minister of Defense, Black Panther Party

1. We want freedom. We want power to determine the destiny of our Black Community.

We believe that black people will not be free until we are able to determine our destiny.

2. We want full employment for our people.

We believe that the federal government is responsible and obligated to give every man employment or a guaranteed income. We believe that if the white American businessmen will not give full employment, then the means of production should be taken from the businessmen and placed in the community so that the people of the community can organize and employ all of its people and give a high standard of living.

3. We want an end to the robbery by the CAPITALIST of our Black Community.

We believe that this racist government has robbed us and now we are demanding the overdue debt of forty acres and two mules. Forty acres and two mules was promised 100 years ago as restitution for slave labor and mass murder of black people. We will accept the payment in currency which will be distributed to our many communities. The Germans are now aiding the Jews in Israel for the genocide of the Jewish people. The Germans murdered six million Jews. The American racist has taken part in the slaughter of over fifty million black people; therefore, we feel that this is a modest demand that we make.

4. We want decent housing, fit for shelter of human beings.

We believe that if the white landlords will not give decent housing to our black community, then the housing and the land should be made into cooperatives so that our community, with government aid, can build and make decent housing for its people.

5. We want education for our people that exposes the true nature of this decadent American society. We want education that teaches us our true history and our role in the present-day society.

We believe in an educational system that will give to our people a knowledge of self. If a man does not have knowledge of himself and his position in society and the world, then he has little chance to relate to anything else.

6. We want all black men to be exempt from military service.

We believe that Black people should not be forced to fight in the military service to defend a racist government that does not protect us. We will not fight and kill other people of color in the world who, like black people, are being victimized by the white racist government of America. We will protect ourselves from the force and violence of the racist police and the racist military, by whatever means necessary.

7. We want an immediate end to POLICE BRUTALITY and MURDER of black people.

We believe we can end police brutality in our black community by organizing black self-defense groups that are dedicated to defending our black community from racist police oppression and brutality. The Second Amendment to the Constitution of the United States gives a right to bear arms. We therefore believe that all black people should arm themselves for self-defense.

8. We want freedom for all black men held in federal, state, county and city prisons and jails.

We believe that all black people should be released from the many jails and prisons because they have not received a fair and impartial trial.

9. We want all black people when brought to trial to be tried in court by a jury of their peer group or people from their black communities, as defined by the Constitution of the United States.

We believe that the courts should follow the United States Constitution so that black people will receive fair trials. The 14th Amendment of the U.S. Constitution gives a man a right to be tried by his peer group. A peer is a person from a similar economic, social, religious, geographical, environmental, historical and racial background. To do this the court will be forced to select a jury from the black community from which the black defendant came. We have been, and are being tried by all-white juries that have no understanding of the "average reasoning man" of the black community.

10. We want land, bread, housing, education, clothing, justice and peace. And as our major political objective, a United Nations-supervised plebiscite to be held throughout the black colony in which only black colonial subjects will be allowed to participate, for the purpose of determining the will of black people as to their national destiny.

When, in the course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume, among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the laws of nature and nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation.

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal; that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights; that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. **That, to secure these rights, governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed; that, whenever any form of government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the right of the people to alter or to abolish it, and to institute a new government, laying its foundation on such principles, and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their safety and happiness.** Prudence, indeed, will dictate that governments long estal ..ed should not be changed for light and transient causes; and, accordingly, all experience hath shown, that mankind are more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed. **But, when a long train of abuses and unsurpations, pursuing invariably the same object, evinces a design to reduce them under absolute despotism, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such government, and to provide new guards for their future security.**

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RULES OF THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY

CENTRAL HEADQUARTERS
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Every member of the BLACK PANTHER PARTY throughout this country of racist America must abide by these rules as functional members of this party. CENTRAL COMMITTEE members, CENTRAL STAFFS, and LOCAL STAFFS, including all captains subordinate to either national, state, and local leadership of the BLACK PANTHER PARTY will enforce these rules. Length of suspension or other disciplinary action necessary for violation of these rules will depend on national decisions by national, state or state area, and local committees and staffs where said rule or rules of the BLACK PANTHER PARTY WERE VIOLATED.

Every member of the party must know these verbatum by heart. And apply them daily. Each member must report any violation of these rules to their leadership or they are counter-revolutionary and are also subjected to suspension by the BLACK PANTHER PARTY.

THE RULES ARE:

1. No party member can have narcotics or weed in his possession while doing party work.
2. Any party member found shooting narcotics will be expelled from this party.
3. No party member can be DRUNK while doing daily party work.
4. No party member will violate rules relating to office work, general meetings of the BLACK PANTHER PARTY, and meetings of the BLACK PANTHER PARTY ANYWHERE.
5. No party member will USE, POINT, or FIRE a weapon of any kind unnecessarily or accidentally at anyone.
6. No party member can join any other army force other than the BLACK LIBERATION ARMY.
7. No party member can have a weapon in his possession while DRUNK or loaded off narcotics or weed.
8. No party member will commit any crimes against other party members or BLACK people at all, and cannot steal or take from the people, not even a needle or a piece of thread.
9. When arrested BLACK PANTHER MEMBERS will give only name, address, and will sign nothing. Legal first aid must be understood by all Party members.
10. The Ten Point Program and platform of the BLACK PANTHER PARTY must be known and understood by each Party member.
11. Party Communications must be National and Local.
12. The 10-10-10-program should be known by all members and also understood by all members.
13. All Finance officers will operate under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Finance.
14. Each person will submit a report of daily work.
15. Each Sub-Section Leader Section Leader, Lieutenant, and Captain must submit Daily reports of work.
16. All Panthers must learn to operate and service weapons correctly.
17. All Leadership personnel who expel a member must submit this information to the Editor of the Newspaper, so that it will be published in the paper and will be known by all chapters and branches.
18. Political Education Classes are mandatory for general membership.
19. Only office personnel assigned to respective offices each day should be there. All others are to sell papers and do Political work out in the community, including Captains, Section Leaders, etc.
20. COMMUNICATIONS — all chapters must submit weekly reports in writing to the National Headquarters.
21. All Branches must implement First Aid and/or Medical Cadres.
22. All Chapters, Branches, and components of the BLACK PANTHER PARTY must submit a monthly Financial Report to the Ministry of Finance, and also the Central Committee.
23. Everyone in a leadership position must read no less than two hours per day to keep abreast of the changing political situation.
24. No chapter or branch shall accept grants, poverty funds, money or any other aid from any government agency without contacting the National Headquarters.
25. All chapters must adhere to the policy and the ideology laid down by the CENTRAL COMMITTEE of the BLACK PANTHER PARTY.
26. All Branches must submit weekly reports in writing to their respective Chapters.

8 POINTS OF ATTENTION

1) Speak politely.
2) Pay fairly for what you buy.
3) Return everything you borrow.
4) Pay for anything you damage.
5) Do not hit or swear at people.
6) Do not damage property or crops of the poor, oppressed masses.
7) Do not take liberties with women.
8) If we ever have to take captives do not ill-treat them.

3 MAIN RULES OF DISCIPLINE

1) Obey orders in all your actions.
2) Do not take a single needle or a piece of thread from the poor and oppressed masses.
3) Turn in everything captured from the attacking enemy.


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